

The state's top stories of 2002

It was the best of times, it was the worst of times (at least, for Trent Lott).

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Ornamental sweet potato goes great in southern gardens for 2003, Norman Winter says.

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Crime Prevention Task Force safety program

The National Crime Prevention Task Force will present a "Safety in the Home and in the Streets" program on Jan. 7, beginning at 6:30 p.m., at Waveland United Methodist Church, located at Central Ave. and Vacation Lane. The program is free and open to the public. Call 467-1695 for more information.

Save Our Children new board to meet Jan. 6

A planning meeting for the new board of directors of Save Our Children will be held at 6:30 p.m. at the center. All are welcome.

Wholistic Wellness

The Wholistic Wellness Network will hold its next meeting Friday, Jan. 3 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Mind & Body Yoga Center, 2413 14th Street, downtown Gulfport. All are welcome to attend. There is no charge. Call 467-7285.

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SHELLING OUT



Jay Bond, right, uses a boom to lift oyster sacks from the boat to Jon Ross, who stacks them into his truck. Echo staff photos by Shannon Jenkins

Oysterman says new DMR sack limits are helping local industry

BY SHANNON JENKINS
Staff Writer

For one local oysterman, less is more. When the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (DMR) lowered the commercial daily sack limit Dec. 21 from 40 to 30 per licensed vessel, Jon Ross had no complaints. "The limit is better at 30 than 40," Ross said. "It's not depleting the reefs." The Biloxi oysterman said oyster season has been "pretty good so far" and should continue that way as long as DMR



Joseph Ross slings empty oyster sacks back into the James E.

does not raise the limit back to 40. Ross unloaded his family's boat on Monday in Pass Christian, except on Sundays. The Ross family has used their current boat, James E., for the past eight years.

Ross said they usually harvest every day in Pass Christian, except on Sundays. The Ross family has used their current boat, James E., for the past eight years.

Fugitive turned in by own mother

Louisiana man arrested in Gulfport on Hancock info

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

A Hancock County resident, a fugitive from Louisiana was arrested Monday by Gulfport Police following leads received from the Hancock County Sheriff's Department Investigators, according to Chief Investigator Bob Lambert.

Lambert said, "Stephen Mark Ladner, 29, 3062 Road 331, Perkinston, MS, North Hancock County, was arrested by Gulfport Police Monday evening and is being held for Louisiana authorities for a parole violation."

"This case developed from our department receiving a call from a Mississippi

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K-9 sniffs out 55 pounds of dope on bus

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

Early Saturday morning, the Hancock County Sheriff's Department recovered some 55 pounds of marijuana from a bus on Interstate 10 following a routine traffic violation stop, according to Sheriff Steve Garber.

Garber said, "Lt. Jimmy Esposito stopped a Tornado bus eastbound on

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Courthouse renovation in temporary 'gridlock'

Officials disagree about contamination

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Construction at the Hancock County Courthouse in downtown Bay St. Louis is in a gridlock for the moment, said Chancery Clerk Tim Kellar on Tuesday, because of conflicting stories on the condition of soil located underneath the 90-year-

old building.

Supervisors were presented with a report from toxicologist for the Center of Environmental Health Allan C. Nye earlier this month. Compton Engineering, which is supplying architectural services at the site, brought Nye in to test soil and air under the building last month.

Nye confirmed his preliminary reports that the levels of Chlordane found under the

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Work at the Hancock County Courthouse is temporarily on hold, due to conflicting reports about contamination from the chemical Chlordane, thought to be underneath the building.

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Lott, WorldCom, special session top 2002 Mississippi news events

BY JACK ELLIOTT JR.
Associated Press Writer
JACKSON, Miss. (AP) —

In the days after the November elections, Trent Lott was flying high and Mississippi with him.

Lott was to become majority leader in a Republican-controlled Senate and Mississippi would reap benefits from two powerful senators.

A few weeks and one thoughtless remark later, Lott had toppled from power. Lott's downward spiral captured news programs and headlines nationwide and, at times, reopened old racial wounds in a state struggling to shed its past. It also was the top story in Mississippi in 2002.

Lott claimed he was kidding an old politician — it was the 100th birthday celebration of Strom Thurmond, when he said the country would be better off if Thurmond had been elected president in 1948. Thurmond ran on a segregationist platform.

In the protests that followed his Dec. 5 remarks, Lott apologized, claimed he was misunderstood and vowed to be more sensitive to minorities.

By the weekend before Christmas, the protests had not diminished, the White House was distancing itself and fellow GOP senators were doing the same. On Dec. 20, Lott issued a statement saying he was relinquishing his leadership position but would remain in the Senate.

In an interview with The Associated Press, Lott said he walked into a "trap" set by his political enemies and had "only myself to blame." "I don't think there's any use in trying to say I'm disappointed in anybody or anything. An inappropriate remark brought this down on my head."

"A lot of people in Washington have been trying to nail me for a long time. When you're from Mississippi and you're a conservative and you're a Christian, there are a lot of people that don't like that. I fell into their trap and so I have only myself to blame," Lott said.

Despite it all, Lott remains a popular political figure in Mississippi.

Blame of another sort came with WorldCom's announcement that it had lied about its earnings and was in the red by \$9 billion. WorldCom, tops among a year filled with corporate scandals, filed the largest bankruptcy in U.S. history after confessing to improper accounting procedures.

Heads rolled. And chief among them was Bernie Ebbers, one of the company's founders and cheerleader of its take-no-prisoners aggressive business attitude.

The former CEO had borrowed \$408 million from the telecommunications company. Ebbers had pledged company shares as collateral, but with those shares, once valued at \$286 million, now worthless, he was said to be considering forgoing his \$1.5 million annual pension to help settle the debt.

The wave of corporate scandals turned the average



U.S. Sen. Trent Lott — seen here prior to the scandal that erupted after his remarks made in December at former Sen. Strom Thurmond's 100th birthday party — was by far one of the state's top newsmakers in 2002.

newspaper's business section in 2002. Ebbers, who was never charged in the scandal, went before Congress and invoked his

constitutional rights in declining to testify.

Other corporate executives were indicted.

The scandal shook up WorldCom's leadership and governing board, which went outside the company to hire a new president.

Yet, WorldCom stayed in business, sold off some assets, got some new government contracts and worked with the courts to begin the difficult task of emerging from bankruptcy.

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Arrest Record

Editor's note: The following is a complete list of arrests logged at the Hancock county Justice Facility from Dec. 19 through Dec. 28. Appearance on the jail log is not indicative of guilt, merely a record that an arrest has been made.

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- William Scott Bell, 20, possession of stolen firearm
- Jerry D. Garth, 34, grand larceny
- Brandon Lizana, 26, DUI (1st)
- Michael Price, 26, contempt of court (failure to pay) (transfer of controlled substance)
- Terry L. Warren, 53, disturbance of the peace, disorderly conduct
- Susan C. Vile, 56, disorderly conduct
- Jeffrey Collins, 46, public drunk
- Stacy Harron, 26, simple assault (domestic) (warrant)
- John Forsman, 27, DUI (1st)
- Bruce Stanovich, 42, DUI (4th), driving while driver's license suspended
- Charles P. Lepine, 42, disorderly conduct
- Randy Dale Simmons, 27, prescription forgery, parole violation
- Mark Allen Webber, 28, DUI (3rd)
- Peter Lewis, 40, no driver's license, possession with intent, driving with driver's license suspended, no insurance, implied consent
- Gilbert Allen, 31, expired tag, disregard to traffic, no driver's license, seat belt violation, possession with intent
- Danny Bond, 38, no insurance, possession of controlled substance, driving while driver's license

suspended, following too closely

- Virginia Edelman, 38, no insurance, expired tag, driving while suspended, one count bad check, possession of controlled substance
- Randall McMillian, 24, aggravated assault, suspended driver's license, (warrant)
- Albert Dietert, 64, possession of firearm after felony conviction
- Timothy Rager, 42, suspended driver's license, no insurance, expired tag, DUI (2nd)
- Denise Haynes, 38, contempt of court (failure to appear)
- James Freson, 51, suspended driver's license, DUI (2nd), refused test, careless driving, no seat belt
- Clifford Marshall, 38, disturbance of family
- Shelly Lynn Lawton, 34, public drunk
- Dennis Wellington, 30, DUI (3rd), expired tag, no insurance, suspended driver's license
- Scott Przepierski, 24, contempt of court (warrant)
- Henry W. Moran, 45, DUI (3rd), suspended driver's license, no proof of insurance, refused test
- John W. Johnson, 78, DUI (1st), careless driving
- Zachary A. Cooper, 18, contempt of court (failure to comply) (warrant)
- James Bruce Necaise, 41, no proof of insurance, seat belt violation, DUI (1st), no tag light, careless driving
- Jonathan Allen Gates, 18, contempt of court (warrant)
- Justin L. Delle, 23, contempt of court (warrant)
- Ola Gene Moran, 40, speeding, DUI (1st)
- Jayson P. Moody, 27, contempt of court, (warrant), careless driving, noin-

surance, suspended driver's license, switched tag

- Jacklyn J. Cochran, 29, DUI (other substance), resisting arrest, obstructing traffic, no seat belt, assault on police officer, disorderly conduct (failure to comply), possession of controlled substance
- Lee A. Humes, 20, taking of motor vehicle
- Timothy E. Yarborough, 31, hold for Harrison County
- Kim M. Walston, 32, possession of marijuana, DUI, suspended driver's license, no insurance, careless driving
- Rusty L. Pavolini, 38, public drunk
- Jeffery Lamb, 45, simple assault (domestic)
- Steven Dunshire, 28, molesting
- Janice McNeese, 20, contempt of court, (warrant), shoplifting, suspended driver's license
- Thomas Lamb, 38, aggravated assault (domestic)
- Lisa Rush Hill, 33, seat belt violation, possession of controlled substance, careless driving, no insurance, DUI (other)
- Robert J. Francis, 44, simple assault (domestic)
- Susan Dougherty, 26, simple assault
- Paul G. Simmons, 47, hold for St. Tammany Parish
- Marvin Charles Oltmanns, 73, DUI (1st)
- Gerald Schoonemaker, 20, false information, public drunk
- Kelly J. Atwood, 39, disorderly conduct, public drunk, resisting arrest
- Dustin W. Scrimshire, 18, disturbance of business, contributing to delinquency of minor, malicious mischief
- Peter C. Alexis, 65, no seat belt, no insurance,

driving while suspended driver's license

- Lonnie R. Dover, 55, DUI (1st), suspended driver's license, speeding
- Kenneth Havens, 44, disturbance of family (domestic), simple assault (domestic)
- Gail Havens, 43, disturbance of family (domestic)
- Billy Pernicario, 27, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, obstruction
- Robert Larsen, 34, DUI, refused test
- Jennifer R. Moran, 26, disorderly conduct (failure to comply), simple assault (domestic), resisting arrest
- April Juraszek, 22, embezzlement
- Jason Corey Mitchell, 20, suspended driver's license, failure to yield, no insurance
- Arthur Miller III, 49, speeding, suspended driver's license
- Jennifer L. Pepper, 20, contempt of court (failure to appear) (failure to pay)
- Don Michael Brown, 36, suspended driver's license, possession of drug paraphernalia, obstructing traffic
- Robert McMillian, 23, aggravated assault (warrant)
- Dee Ann Dunne, 43, compulsory school attendance (warrant)
- Stephen P. Dunne, 29, failure to obey, disorderly conduct
- George W. Jones, 21, contempt of court (failure to comply), (warrant)
- Joseph J. Fineran III, 30, disorderly conduct
- Amanda J. McGuire, 18, contempt of court (failure to appear) (warrant)
- Timothy K. Kapp Jr., 20, public drunk
- Jessica Chelms, 24, simple assault (warrant)

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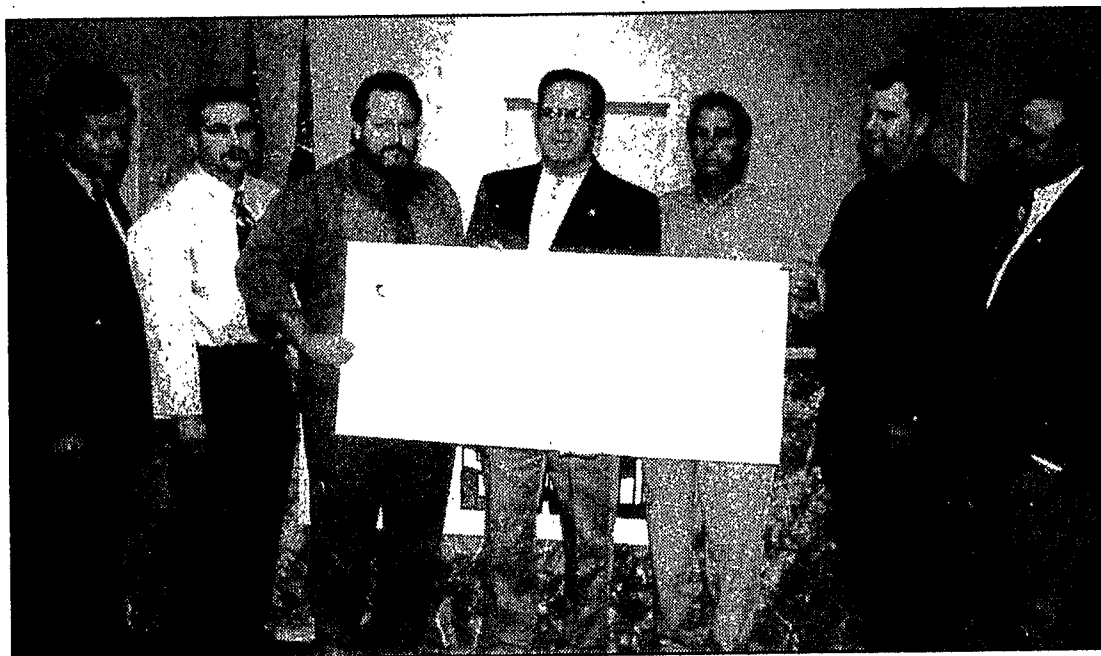


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(From left: Alderman Keith Mitchell, Alderman Santo Saucier, Mayor Tommy Longo, Commission on Marine Resources member Oliver Sahuque, Alderman Ricky Geoffrey, Alderman Brian Schmitt and DMR Chief of Staff Joe Ziegler). The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources presents the City of Waveland with a \$100,000 Tidelands grant award disbursement on Dec. 18 for Phase III Pier Expansion and Related Improvements during the Board of Aldermen's monthly meeting.



photo courtesy of the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources
(From left: Councilman Doug Seal, DMR Chief of Staff Joe Ziegler, Councilman James Thrifflay III, Councilman Bobby Compretta, Commission on Marine Resources member Oliver Sahuque, DMR Executive Director Dr. William W. Walker, Councilman at Large Bill Taylor and Mayor Eddie Favre). The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources presents the City of Bay St. Louis with a \$200,000 Tidelands grant award disbursement on Dec. 17 for Ulman Avenue Pier during the City Council's monthly meeting.

Community Ed group seeks instructors

Hancock County's Adult Community Education Program is seeking community resource persons to instruct classes. Teacher certification is not required. If you have expertise/experience and would like to teach (share your knowledge) a few hours per week during the fall and/or winter sessions contact: Dr. Gaynell Roberts, 467-3892 (beginning Jan. 7) for information.

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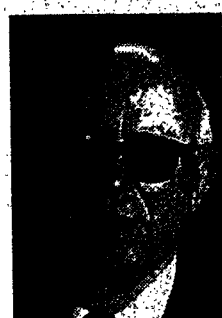
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Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher Emeritus

Happy 2003 to you from me

Here is hoping that 2003 brings health, prosperity and happiness to each and every one of you.

Since 9-11 things have really changed in the United States and across the world.

There is no question about the need for peace for everyone, as there are so many folks oppressed as we enter 2003.

Also we must always remember our men and women of the United States who are in the military.

There was a time when men and women serving in the reserves never had to worry too much about being activated.

Since 9-11 that has changed tremendously, and as 'hot spots' spring up across the world, more and more reservists are being activated.

One of my top wishes for 2003 is that there will be peace for everyone.

Working on parking spaces at the Hancock County Courthouse in Bay St. Louis continues.

It is good to see the Gex Street of the parking lot completed and now open for the public.

Have watched the progress of the parking area. The concrete used in construction of the parking is very thick, reinforced and should be around for many years.

Work now is in full swing on the Cue Street side of the courthouse now, and that street is closed to traffic.

Hopefully a solution will be found soon on how to solve the pesticide problems found under the courthouse so the contractor can complete the courthouse work.

It seems to me to be taking a very long time in finding a solution to the soil under the courthouse.

Anyway, the courthouse's parking is now really taking shape.

The City Hall in the City of Waveland upstairs is now undergoing renovations, so some functions at the city hall have moved next door to the City Hall Annex until the renovation is complete.

Signs have been posted to help direct folks to the proper locations of the services which have been moved next door.

Clermont Harbor residents need to boil their water, because the system recently lost its pressure due to a line break.

This is a precautionary action which is necessary because of the break.

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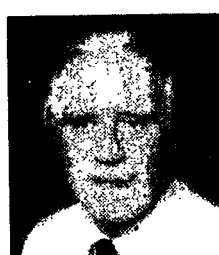
Until that time Clermont Harbor water system users should vigorously boil for one minute any water to be consumed.

Party-switching in the Legislature

Party-switching in the Legislature, rumored in the works since Democratic Lt. Gov. Amy Tuck's conversion a month ago but put on hold by Trent Lott's fall from grace, is apparently about to crank off as lawmakers come to town next Tuesday for their 2003 session.

Reports were that that at least two Democratic senators, and possibly four House members, will jump to the GOP. Supposedly, say Republican insiders, conversions will be spread out over a few days rather than all at once.

Two Senators thought most likely to switch were Travis Little of Corinth, the Senate President Pro-tem



Eyes on Mississippi

By Bill Minor

and Tuck's closest ally, and Terry Burton of Newton, another Tuck supporter, who has more often been voting with Senate Republicans than Democrats.

Burton became the first to jump to the GOP two days before year's end, after apparently putting it off while Trent Lott's meltdown had the spotlight. Burton had been elected for three terms as a Democrat in his East-Mississippi district.

Little, considered to be Tuck's alter-ego--many would say her puppeteer--comes out of an old line Alcorn County Democratic political family once closely tied to the organization bossed by legendary U.S.

Sen. Jim Eastland.

Little's conversion, which some of his state Senate colleagues say won't happen, had been thought a given because of his closeness to Tuck. However, as one fellow Senator observed: "It wouldn't really make much difference if he puts an 'R' or a 'D' behind his name, because on his watch the Senate already has been pretty much a pro-GOP body anyway."

On the House side, all-but-certain is the switch of Democratic state Rep. Jim Barnett of Brookhaven, who has been in the Democratic doghouse for a couple of years over the brouhaha when he backed his fellow townsman, Republican Mike Parker, rather than Democrat Ronnie Musgrove in the 1999 governor's race.

Among other possible House switchers is Rep.

Herb Frierson of Poplarville, whose South Mississippi base has become so Republican that several other local Democratic officials have already gone over to the GOP.

Veteran Carroll County Rep. Mary Ann Stevens, for years one of the most conservative members of the House, and long considered a possible switcher could easily change her party label from Democrat to Republican. Observers say she could be re-elected with either party designation.

State GOP chairman Jim Herring, who had a lot to do with orchestrating the Tuck conversion, has been busy lining up strong Republican legislative candidates all around the state.

It's pretty certain, however-

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What a year we've had in Mississippi

In January, Mississippi hosted a Leadership Summit on Higher Education. Bringing together leaders from government, business and education, we focused on priorities ranging from sending kids to school ready to learn to programs for adult learners.

The month of February brought the settlement of the Ayers case. The ruling by Judge Neal Biggers helped bring closure to a case that tied the hands of our university system for more than a quarter of a century.

Safety and security were focal points in March. The mission of the Mississippi National Guard in providing additional security at our airports was extended at the President's request, and on March 20 I signed

legislation providing additional protections for victims of domestic violence.

Our authority to restructure Mississippi's Medicaid program was affirmed in April. While adequate funding remains an issue, we are making progress in meeting the health care needs of our citizens.



From the Governor

By Gov. Ronnie Musgrove

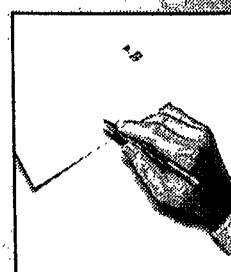
The return of the Task Force Rifles from a peacekeeping mission in Bosnia was reason for celebration in May. These men and women had trained long and hard for their work of preserving a fragile peace, and we welcomed them home with pride.

Mississippi's standing as a competitor in the world marketplace grew stronger in June with Nissan's announcement of the expansion of their facility in Canton and an additional

Letters to the Editor

Our letters policy

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers. Letters must be signed and include address or telephone number. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double-spaced. Only one letter per writer per month. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters. Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are inappropriate.



investment of \$500 million. Their confidence in Mississippi sent a message to the rest of the world that this is a good place to do business.

In July, the first annual "Governor's Communities of Excellence" awards were presented. Six communities around the state were recognized for their innovative use of economic development grant funds.

The heat of August focused our attention on the growing threat from the West Nile Virus. A state of emergency was declared on August 9 to ensure neces-

sary resources were available to combat the virus that put all Mississippians at risk.

September saw Tropical Storm Isidore make a bee-line for the Gulf Coast. A state of emergency was declared early and National Guard personnel were deployed. Fortunately, the storm lost strength and its impact was less than expected, but flooding still affected thousands of Mississippians.

Mississippi's health care providers were given some

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Minor -- party switch

er, that even if the eight or 10 lawmakers said to be in the switching mode do in fact change parties, there's no danger that Republicans, now with 18 seats in the state Senate and 32 in the House, will wind up with a majority in either branch.

One other major unknown is how the new legislative districts drawn by lawmakers as a result of the 2000 census will play, as far as favoring either party's prospects. Ten years ago, as it later became evident, the legislative redistricting plan helped Republicans make significant gains, upping their numbers in both branches by a third.

When House Speaker Tim Ford announced two weeks ago he was stepping down from his post and leaving the Legislature, he observed that there will likely be 40 new faces in the next Mississippi House, either as a result of already-known vacancies or possible incumbent defeats in 2003 elections.

The newly-drawn legislative map creates a new black-majority House district in the Marshall County

area in Northeast Mississippi. Logically, then it will increase the House Black Caucus membership to 36, making the African-American delegation an even more potent voting bloc in any legislative issue including electing a new Speaker.

There's still virtually no chance that a black lawmaker could garner the 62 votes necessary to be elected Speaker, but if the Black Caucus votes as a bloc, it's sure no white lawmaker could win without Caucus backing. Apparently, the tradition of naming a black to the No. 2 spot started 10 years ago with the election of Robert Clark as Speaker pro-tem will be continued, although someone other than Clark will get the post.

One sidebar in the 2002 legislative redistricting plan is the elimination of three-county House District 52 in the Delta that Rep. Tom Cameron of Greenville had won in 1999 running as an independent, after earlier being denied his Republican label by the local GOP committee.

Cameron has been an embarrassment to state

Republicans ever since he pushed a bill to legalize the use of caning to punish prisoners, or even school children, and boasted about his measure on national TV.

Even though 2003 is a gubernatorial election year, from the standpoint of the Legislature, the lieutenant governor's race is of primary concern. Legislative Democrats are focusing on getting a strong candidate to run against newly-minted Republican Amy Tuck.

As lawmakers know, in Mississippi's system, the lieutenant governor is more powerful than the governor, because the occupant of the No. 2 spot appoints members of Senate committees, the chairman and vice-chairman thereof.

By tradition, Mississippi's legislative committees hold the crucial power over which bills will either die or eventually get passed.

Most Mississippians pay no attention to the internal workings of the Legislature

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until they suddenly discover something is happening up at the stately old Capitol that invades their own lives or livelihoods. Pulpwood haulers, chicken farmers, or hospital nurses come to mind.

Folks who have probably never been inside the Capitol sometimes storm into legislative corridors and become confused and amazed at the inertia in the Legislature, and even more amazed over how things got that way in the first place.

Perhaps they can see why so few genuine legislative milestones such as the Education Reform Act of 1982, or the Minimum Foundation school program of 1953-54 come out the Mississippi Legislature.

And the prospects of things getting better are not good, because the Legislature is becoming more factional than ever, divided into blocs made up of Republicans, blacks and the dwindling number of rural white Democrats.

Musgrove

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relief with the signing of medical malpractice reform legislation on October 8. The legislation was passed during a special session that began September 5.

In November, we had extra reason to be thankful. The massive tornado that struck Lowndes County claimed one life but spared thousands others as it cut a wide swath through homes, businesses, dormitories and academic buildings.

Then, there was

December. The signing of civil justice reform legislation on December 3 sent another signal to the business community that we were serious about fair and balanced reforms in its courtrooms. The coming of Christmas reminded us anew of the promise and hope for us as fallible people.

It's been quite a year, and there's much to come in the year ahead.

Gridlock

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building were minimal and did not exist in amounts any greater than could be found in any pre 1970 structure. Nye's report said that levels of Chlordane found under the courthouse were within the accepted limits of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) guidelines, Kellar said.

OSHA guidelines dictate a maximum of 0.5 milligrams of Chlordane per cubic meter in a work place for an eight hour work day and a 40 hour work week. OSHA further recommends that workers avoid any skin or eye contact with the contaminated substance as this may heighten exposure.

Nye's recommendations were that workers would have adequate protection by wearing a dust mask and protective clothing while working under the structure.

But G M & R Construction, contractors for the renovation, apparently hired their own expert and officials for the company say that the tests done show harmful levels of Chlordane, said Kellar. G M & R wants the county to go through a costly procedure of removing much of the soil located under the building to remove the pesticide, Kellar said.

"We don't want to send anyone into harm's way," said Henry Martinez, owner of G M & R. "We are not experts on the subject and have to rely on the advice of consultants, just like the county. We have completely conflicting reports on the problem, but we hope to get together with everyone involved after the holidays and find out why, and hopefully work out a solution."

"All of us are professionals and are after the same

results I am sure, and that is safety."

G M & R officials say that to allow their employees to work under the building would go against their experts professional evaluations of the danger located there, Kellar said.

"We don't really know where we are going from here," Kellar said.

Work under the building has been on hold for months because traces of a deadly pesticide, Chlordane were found in the crawl space under the building. Workers must be able to get under the building to work on electrical and plumbing repairs and to complete some structural repairs needed before the work can progress. The elevator slated to be added during renovations will also be put on hold, Kellar said, because the work must begin beneath ground level.

The problem was discovered when some plumbers working for G M & R became ill and reported the incident to OSHA. OSHA's Jackson area director Clyde Payne said that the problems were caused by a large concentration of Chlordane in the work area.

Chlordane was in common use as a pesticide from 1948 to 1988. In 1983 the chemical was banned for all uses except for termite control. In 1988 the EPA banned all uses of the chemical. Chlordane affects the nervous system, the digestive system, and the liver. It can cause headaches, irritability, confusion, weakness, vision problems, vomiting, stomach cramps, diarrhea, and jaundice if breathed in high concentrations or accidentally swallowed in small amounts. Greater exposure can cause convulsions and death.

K-9

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Interstate 10 for not having a tag. A consent to search was received from the driver, and K-9 Dax was put in the cargo area of the bus. Dax's search revealed 55.61 pounds of marijuana concealed in a large duffel bag.

"No claim ticket was on the duffel bag, so no arrest

was made. The narcotics case has been turned over to Agent Abe Long of the Sheriff's Narcotics Division," Garber reported.

Deputy Todd Pisarich assisted Lt. Esposito in the stop, and the case is still under investigation.

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WHEREAS, on October 5, 2000, Cecile L. Seal and James Charles Seal, Jr., executed a deed of trust to Jim B. Tish, trustee for the benefit of Long Beach Mortgage Company, which deed of trust is recorded in Deed of Trust Book 607 at Page 206 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi; and WHEREAS, the aforesaid deed of trust was assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, a national banking association, (f/a Bankers Trust Company of California, N.A., as Trustee for the Asset Backed Securities Corporation Long Beach Home Equity Loan Trust 2000-LB1, by instrument dated September 12, 2002, and recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 718 at Page 614; and WHEREAS, the aforesaid, Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, a national banking association, (f/a Bankers Trust Company of California, N.A., as Trustee for the Asset Backed Securities Corporation Long Beach Home Equity Loan Trust 2000-LB1, the holder of said deed of trust and the note secured thereby, substituted John C. Underwood, Jr., as Trustee therein, as authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument dated October 3, 2002 and recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 724 at Page 627; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby, having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, and the legal holder of said indebtedness, Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, a national banking association, (f/a Bankers Trust Company of California, N.A., as Trustee for the Asset Backed Securities Corporation Long Beach Home Equity Loan Trust 2000-LB1, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, Substituted Trustee's fees and expense of sale;
NOW, THEREFORE, I, John C. Underwood, Jr., Substituted Trustee, in said deed of trust, will, on the 28th day of January, 2003, offer for sale at public outcry for cash to the highest bidder, and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M.) at the Main front door of the County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, the following described property situated in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, to-wit: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 20, Township 6 South, Range 14 West, Hancock County, Mississippi; thence run North 00 minutes 09 seconds East along the Western Right of Way of "J-J" Road for 841.7 feet; thence South 89 minutes 33 seconds East for 25 feet to the center line of said road; thence North 00 minutes 09 seconds East, along said center line of "J-J" road for 208.7 feet to the point of beginning of the following described land conveyed; thence run North 00 degrees 09 minutes 01 seconds along said center line of "J-J" road for 209.1 feet; thence run South 89 degrees 58 minutes 21 seconds East for 208.7 feet to an iron post; thence run South 89 degrees 58 minutes 21 seconds West for 208.7 feet to an iron post; thence South 89 degrees 56 minutes 28 seconds West for 208.83 feet to the point of beginning. Said parcel containing 1.00 acres, more or less, and being a part of the SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Section 20, Township 6 South, Range 14 West, Hancock County, Mississippi.
I WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 6th day of December, 2002.
John C. Underwood, Jr.
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE
Control #202070821
01/02; 01/09; 01/16; 01/23/03

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
WHEREAS, on the 28th day of April, 1999, Henry T. Sevin, Sr., executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust to the undersigned, Trustee for EquiCredit Corporation/ Ala & Miss, Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Book 651 at Page 414; and WHEREAS, on the 23rd day of November, 2002, EquiCredit Corporation / Ala & Miss, assigned said Deed of Trust unto U.S. Bank National Association, f/a, First Bank National Association Trust, acting solely in its capacity as Trustee for EQCC Home Equity Loan Trust 1999-2, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 728 at Page 101; and WHEREAS, on the 23rd day of November, 2002, the holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed John C. Morris, III, as Trustee in said Deed of Trust, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 728 at Page 105; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned to do so, on the 17th day of January, 2003, I will, during legal hours, at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the Main front door of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit: LOTS 52 and 53, Block 152, BAYSIDE PARK SUBDIVISION, UNIT 2, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
I will only convey such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 16th day of December, 2002.
JOHN C. MORRIS, III
SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE
2308 OLIVER RD
MONROE, LA 71201
318-330-9020
F02-6243
12/26/02; 01/02; 01/09; 01/16/03

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on May 16, 1996, Diane Fairconette Shabazz, AKA Shakira Shabazz, executed a Deed of Trust to Tommie Allen, Trustee for the use and benefit of Commercial Credit Corporation, which Deed of Trust is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Deed of Trust Book 454 at Page 511 thereof; and WHEREAS, the property described in said deed of trust was conveyed to Aaron Whavers, by instrument dated February 2, 2001, and on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Book 8B222 at Page 747 thereof; and WHEREAS, the legal holder of the said Deed of Trust and the note secured thereby, substituted Lem Adams, III, as Trustee therein, as authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 691 at Page 545 thereof; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the performance of the conditions and stipulations as set forth by said Deed of Trust, and having been requested by the legal holder of the indebtedness secured and described by said Deed of Trust to do so, notice is hereby given that I, Lem Adams, III, Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority conferred upon me in said Deed of Trust, will, offer for sale and will sell at public sale and outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, during the legal hours (between the hours of 11 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m.) at the North front door of the County Courthouse at Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 10th day of January, 2003, the following described land and property being the same land and property described in said Deed of Trust, situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit: Lots 309 and 310, Third Ward, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, as per Plat on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. Together with all and singular the rights, privileges, improvements and appurtenances to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining. Title to the above described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
WITNESS my signature, on this 12th day of December, 2002.
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SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on July 9, 1999, Adam A. Shaw and Danielle W. Shaw executed a certain deed of trust to Joseph Kelly, Trustee, to secure an indebtedness therein mentioned to H. S. Cremer and wife, Fran S. Cremer, which deed of trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Deed of Trust Book 559, pages 249-256; and WHEREAS, H. S. Cremer and Fran S. Cremer substituted Robert L. Genin, Jr. as Trustee in and for the above described deed of trust and the indebtedness secured thereby in lieu and in place of Joseph Kelly, by Substitution of Trustee dated December 10, 2002 and recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Deed of Trust Book 729, pages 485-88; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, and the said H. S. Cremer and Fran S. Cremer, the legal holders of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, Substituted Trustee's fees and expense of sale;
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert L. Genin, Jr., Substituted Trustee in said deed of trust, will on the 14th day of January, 2003, offer for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, and will sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the front door of the Hancock County Courthouse in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, the following described property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit: Lot 15, Block 9, Unit 4, DIAMONDHEAD, Phase 1, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per map or plat of said subdivision on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
ADVERTISED, POSTED AND DATED this, the 19th day of December, A. D., 2002.
Robert L. Genin, Jr.
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE
12/19; 12/26/02; 1/2; 1/9/03

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on July 15, 1986, Jennifer L. Sheppards and Carl R. Kaskas, Jr. executed a certain deed of trust to James W. Brady, Trustee for the benefit of J. W. Brady, Inc., a Mississippi Corporation, which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, State of Mississippi in Book 291 at Page 838; and WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust was subsequently assigned to MidFirst Bank by instrument dated April 1, 1999 and recorded in Book 563 at Page 65 of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's office; and WHEREAS, Jarry A. Pichon and Susan M. Pichon assumed said Deed of Trust by instrument dated September 15, 1999 and recorded in Book BB107 at Page 356 of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's office; and WHEREAS, MidFirst Bank has heretofore substituted J. Gary Massey as Trustee by instrument dated September 15, 1999 and recorded in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's office in Book 566 at Page 43; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, MidFirst Bank, the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust and for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, trustee's fees and expense of sale;
NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Gary Massey, Substituted Trustee in said deed of trust, will on January 17, 2003 offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the Main door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County, located at Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi, to the highest and best bidder for cash the following described property situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit: Commencing at the Southeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 24, Township 6 South, Range 16 West, Hancock County, Mississippi; thence North 200.00 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence West 650.00 feet to the East margin of a road; thence North along the said East margin for a distance of 200.00 feet; thence East 650.00 feet; thence South 200.00 feet to the Point of Beginning; said parcel containing 2.98 acres, more or less, and being a part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 24, Township 6 South, Range 16 West, Hancock County, Mississippi.
I WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE on December 20, 2002.
J. Gary Massey
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE
Shapiro & Massey, L.L.P.
1910 Lakeland Drive, Suite B
Jackson, MS 39216
(601) 981-9299
12/26/02; 01/02; 01/09; 01/16/03

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on May 10, 2000, Joseph E. Smith, Jr. and Treva June Smith, executed a Deed of Trust to David M. Neacase, Trustee, to secure an indebtedness therein mentioned to Laurence V. Cox and Maria Doris Cox, or survivor, which Deed of Trust is recorded in Deed of Trust Book 590, page 425 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, State of Mississippi; and WHEREAS, Maria Doris Cox substituted John A. Scalfide, Jr. in the place and stead of said David M. Neacase named as Trustee in the original Deed of Trust dated November 12, 2002 and recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Deed of Trust Book 724, pages 695-697; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said Deed of Trust and the said Maria Doris Cox, the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said Deed of Trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, Substituted Trustee's fees and expense of sale;
NOW, THEREFORE, I, John A. Scalfide, Jr., Substituted Trustee in said Deed of Trust, will on the 14th day of January, 2003, offer for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, and will sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the front door of the County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, the following described property situated and lying in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit: Lots 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, Square 800, SHORELINE PARK SUBDIVISION, UNIT 8, Hancock County, Mississippi.
I WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee. DATED this 13th day of December, 2002.
JOHN A. SCALFIDE, JR.
Substituted Trustee
12/19; 12/26/02; 01/02; 01/09/03

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A look at notable deaths in Mississippi

By JACK ELLIOTT JR.

Associated Press Writer

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — Stephen E. Ambrose, who started out as a little known history professor and became a sought-after lecturer on the Civil War and World War II, died of lung cancer in October.

Ambrose, 66, died at a Bay St. Louis hospital.

The Wisconsin native taught at the University of New Orleans for 24 years and wrote books about former Presidents Eisenhower and Nixon, the Transcontinental Railroad and the Lewis and Clark expedition of the American West.

He became well known in 1994 when he published "D-Day June 6, 1944: The Climactic Battle of World War II." The book used interviews with veterans to recount the bloody invasion of Normandy.

A wake for the historian was attended by about 50 relatives and friends, including actor Tom Hanks and director Steven Spielberg, who worked with Ambrose on movie and television productions.

"His great gift was that he refused to allow people to think history was boring," said Douglas Brinkley, who followed Ambrose as director of UNO's Eisenhower Center. "He was always grabbing people by their lapels and saying 'Listen to this. Isn't this fascinating?'"

His last book, "To America: Personal Reflections of an Historian," was published in November. He called it his love song to his country. He began writing it after he was diagnosed with cancer in April.

A history maker of another sort from Mississippi's violent and sordid Civil Rights past died in November.

Former Neshoba County Sheriff Lawrence Andrew Rainey Sr., who was acquitted of conspiracy charges in the 1964 slaying of three civil rights workers, died at his Meridian home. He was 79.

In the Freedom Summer of 1964, civil rights workers James Earl Chaney, Andrew Goodman and Michael Schwerner were murdered on a rural Neshoba County road and buried in an earthen dam.

No one has been convicted of murder. Seven Ku Klux Klansmen, including chief deputy Cecil Price, were convicted of violating the trio's civil rights. Rainey was found innocent in the 1967 trial.

The case inspired the film "Mississippi Burning." Prosecutors have been trying for more than two years to bring murder charges in the case. Price died in 2001 at a time when he was beginning to cooperate with investigators, said Attorney General Mike Moore. Moore wouldn't say if Rainey was cooperating.

Rainey was sheriff from 1963-67. He worked briefly as a police officer in Philadelphia and as a security guard in Meridian.

A brutal murder of a different sort shocked Jackson and the arts communities of Mississippi.

Lydy Becker Caldwell,



Dr. Stephen Ambrose, at his home in Bay St. Louis in 2001.

the mother of Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Beth Henley and noted local actress in her own right, was beaten and stabbed to death at her Jackson home in October. She was 74.

A suspect was arrested shortly after Caldwell's body was found at her home. Police said the suspect entered the house looking for money. Police said he killed Caldwell and stole her car.

Caldwell was active in theater and the arts in Jackson her entire life. She appeared in numerous stage productions.

In politics: Former state Sen. Bill Burgin Jr. of Columbus, once one of the most powerful men in Mississippi before going to prison for influence peddling, died in October. He was 78. Burgin was convicted in 1978 of using his position as Senate appropriations chairman to help a longtime friend win and retain a welfare contract and pocketing some of the proceeds. Burgin was convicted of conspiracy in federal court.

That longtime friend and co-defendant, Flavous Lambert Jr. of Raymond, was killed in May when he ran onto an interstate highway in Virginia. He was 71. Lambert had been visiting his son in Alexandria, Va. Lambert served two terms in the state Senate.

C.B. "Buddie" Newman of Valley Park, who served 12 years as speaker of the Mississippi House and 40 years in the Legislature, died from a blood disease in October. He was 81. His tenure as speaker is the third longest in state history. Newman fell into disfavor with lawmakers in 1982 when he gavelled the session to an end as House members were shouting for a vote on creating public school kindergartens. The controversy dogged Newman until the end of his career. He retired in 1988.

Former state Rep. Miriam Quinn Simmons, a staunch Democrat and legislator who backed legislation to protect abused women and children, died in March. She was 73. Simmons served three terms in the House. She

was president of the state College Board from 1980-81 when higher education struggled with issues of desegregation. Her later years were marred by an extortion attempt in 1999 when she was kidnapped after being lured to a rural Marion County home by a family seeking her help.

James W. "Bootie" Hunt, a perennial candidate for the U.S. Senate and governor dating back to the 1990s, died at his home in Starkville in July. At the time, he was again running for the U.S. Senate. In 1996, he was the Democratic nominee against Republican Sen. Thad Cochran. Left out of planning by the party for the national convention, Hunt rode a bus to Chicago. Hunt said he wanted a voice in government "for at least one term." In 1999, he said he wanted to be governor to do one thing: reduce the 174-member Legislature to 10 lawmakers.

In business and the media: Third generation root beer manufacturer William Adolph Barq died in June at his Biloxi home. He was 79. The Barq family's soda was first bottled in 1898 in Biloxi. In 1962, Barq became president of the company until it was bought by New Orleans investors in 1976. The Coca-Cola Co. bought the firm in 1995.

Frances Marion Reid Cashman, an owner and member of the family that founded The Vicksburg Post, died in December at her home in Vicksburg. Cashman was 83 and the widow of Louis P. Cashman Jr., whose grandfather founded the newspaper in Vicksburg in 1883. She was recognized as a "lifelong team member" when her late husband was inducted into the Mississippi Press Association Hall of Fame this year.

Paul G. Moak Sr., a pioneer in the automobile business in Mississippi, died in September at the age of 81. Moak began his six decades in the business after returning to Mississippi after World War II. He was a partner in Lane-Moak Pontiac in Jackson in 1957 and became its sole owner in 1972. He expanded the

dealership to sell foreign models, including Volvo and Honda.

John Johnson, the former executive editor of The Clarion-Ledger newspaper in Jackson, died in September. He was 55. He had been a journalism professor at the University of Mississippi since 1998.

David Webb, who with his wife ran two weekly newspapers in southwest Mississippi for nearly 40 years, died in September at the age of 66. Webb and his wife bought the Franklin Advocate in 1962 and the Wilk-Amite Record in 1963.

In the arts: Greenville jazz and blues pianist Abbie "Boogaloo" Ames died in February. He was 83. He had lived in the Delta since the 1960s. Ames began playing the piano at age 5. He recorded one of his final performances with jazz singer Cassandra Wilson in August in Clarksdale.

Kenneth Haxton, a Greenville writer and co-founder of what is now the Delta Symphony, died in September. He was 82. Haxton composed nearly 200 pieces of music and was a gifted pianist and cellist. Haxton also was involved in the creation of the Levee Press, which published some of the works of Shelby Foote and William Faulkner.

In sports: Reed Green, who coached football and basketball at the University of Southern Mississippi in the 1930s and 40s before taking over as the school's athletics director, died in February at the age of 90. Green was athletics director from 1949-73.

Former All-Southeastern Conference and University of Mississippi quarterback Doug Elmore died in June. He was 63. Elmore played on three of Johnny Vaught's greatest teams at Ole Miss. The Rebels were 29-3-1 during Elmore's career.

Others: Edward Bankhead, 119, one of the oldest men in the United States, died in November in Corinth. Bankhead was born the son of a slave in Noduxbe County in 1883. His Social Security card, issued in 1935, was the only he had that listed his age.

Melissa Laurel Garrison, 25, who as a 16-year-old was charged in the murder of her mother in Gulfport, died in July in Pearl. Garrison was out of prison on parole after serving time for her role in the 1992 murder of Betty Garrison.

Garrison's sister and a boyfriend are serving life sentences.

Felix Henry Dunn, a longtime Gulfport physician who was one of the organizers of beach wade-ins in the 1960s when beaches were off limits to blacks, died in April. He was 84. Dunn also led successful voter registration campaigns on the coast and was an attending physician during Martin Luther King Jr.'s Selma-to-Montgomery march. Mark F. Smith of Jackson, a veteran advocate for the rights of the disabled, died in February. Smith, 49, had been executive director of the Coalition for Citizens with Disabilities since 1992.

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MDOT receives national anti-litter awards

During recent ceremonies in Washington, D.C., the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) received the nation's top Partnership Award for its strong coalition with Keep Mississippi Beautiful/People Against Litter (KMB/PAL) and a Distinguished Service Citation for efforts to involve a broad cross section of the community in litter prevention, according to Mississippi Transportation Commission Chairman Wayne Brown.

"Though litter continues to plague our state, MDOT continues to search for innovative, cost-efficient ways in which to keep our highways clean," Brown said. "Studies show that clean communities help instill a sense of pride among citizens, are a factor in reducing crime and present a favorable image to business owners looking to Mississippi for a future home."

According to KMB/PAL Executive Director Barbara Dorr, the first-place award honors state departments of transportation who aggressively and diligently support Keep America Beautiful affiliates.

"I had no doubt that MDOT would walk away with the US State DOT Partnership Award," Dorr - who nominated MDOT for the award - said. "With the leadership of the Mississippi Transportation Commission (which is comprised of Zack Stewart, northern district; Dick Hall, central district; and Brown, southern district), MDOT is able to administer not only



Awarded
Kathy Broom, Mississippi Department of Transportation State Anti-Litter Coordinator, (third from left) and Barbara Dorr, Keep Mississippi Beautiful/People Against Litter executive director, (fourth from left) present the 2002 Keep America Beautiful national awards to the Mississippi Transportation Commission. From left to right are Mississippi Transportation Commissioner Zack Stewart, northern district; Commissioner Wayne Brown, chairman; Broom; Dorr; Commissioner Dick Hall, central district; and Larry L. "Butch" Brown, MDOT executive director.

the Adopt-A-Highway and Adopt-An-Interchange programs, but also educational activities, various partnerships and the MDOT Inmate Litter Removal Program."

Brown says the Inmate Litter Removal Program is MDOT's newest anti-litter strategy. In exchange for labor provided by inmates, MDOT agrees to pay the salaries of guards assigned to watch the non-violent volunteers as they pick up litter.

"This is by far the most effective litter removal program MDOT has ever initiated," Larry L. "Butch"

Brown, MDOT's executive director, said. "It is successful because of the diligent efforts from participating law enforcement entities and inmate volunteers. As a direct result of the Inmate Program, we are seeing cleaner highways."

Butch Brown said there are 54 entities partnering with MDOT in the use of inmate labor for litter removal from state maintained highways. These volunteers provide thousands of manpower hours and are removing thousands of bags of litter from our highways every week.

Sen. Trent Lott recently

commended both MDOT and KMB/PAL for receiving national recognition.

"Litter is a problem not only for our state, but for the entire nation," Lott said. "We must all work together to end this unnecessary waste which annually costs Mississippi taxpayers in the millions of dollars. I commend the Mississippi Department of Transportation, the Mississippi Transportation Commission and Keep Mississippi Beautiful/People Against Litter for their combined efforts."

The Distinguished

Service Citation from Keep America Beautiful also recognizes MDOT's litter prevention efforts on a different scale.

According to G. Raymond Empson, Keep America Beautiful president, MDOT's anti-litter program was selected for national recognition due to outstanding efforts to involve a broad cross section of the community in litter prevention.

"MDOT's program has helped to make your communities cleaner and more beautiful places to live and has instilled a sense of pride and ownership among residents," Empson said.

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be challenged in courts for years? The Mississippi Legislature in special session.

The Legislature argued for a month over medical malpractice reforms, while white-coated physicians and dark-suited trial lawyers walked the halls of the state Capitol.

Settling that, lawmakers clashed for another month on product liability issues, as dark-suited corporate lawyers and trial attorneys walked the halls.

House Speaker Tim Ford and others said they expected tort reform to be a major factor in the 2003 legislative elections because of the frustration and anger the protracted special session raised.

At the same time, law-

makers believe the new limits on civil lawsuits against mom and pop country stores, giant corporations and health care providers should erase Mississippi's image as a legal magnet for negligent lawsuits and high dollar verdicts.

Both laws take effect on Wednesday.

Business interests and trial lawyers expect legal challenges to the laws. Corporate lobbyists, while not completely satisfied, described the laws as something to build on.

Other top stories in the state:

4) Mississippi executed two death row inmates in 2002, the first since 1989 and the first by lethal injection.

Tracy Alan Hansen, 39,

was executed in July for gunning down state Trooper Bruce Ladner in 1987 after the officer pulled him over for speeding. Ladner was shot once in the shoulder and once in the back as he lay face down on the roadside.

"I know it doesn't help but I'm sorry and it's in my heart," Hansen told witnesses shortly before the execution.

Jessie D. Williams, 51, was put to death in December for the 1983 mutilation murder of Karon Ann Pierce in Jackson County.

When asked if he had a final statement, Williams said "No sir."

Prosecutors were expecting more executions in the new year.

Mississippi churches fall victim to investment scam

BY SHELLA HARDWELL BYRD
Associated Press Writer

The Rev. David Fields knew it was too good to be true: a mere \$3,000 investment would yield \$500,000 for his tiny Mississippi Delta church.

For Fields and the rest of the 35-member St. Luke Church of God and Christ in Isola, the deal appeared to be heaven sent. It wasn't.

Prosecutors allege it was scam run by northwest Georgia preacher Abraham Kennard, head of the Network International Investment Corp., which took in nearly \$9 million in fees from more than 1,000 pastors at mostly black churches in 41 states within a year's time.

Fields believes his church was among at least 80 in Mississippi that were duped out of about \$250,000.

He said he heard of Network International from another Mississippi minister.

"We were trying to make preparations to build and this would have been a

great opportunity," Fields said Wednesday. Fields wrote the \$3,000 check to Network International in July, and now wants to know how he can get the money back.

The Securities and Exchange Commission filed a civil suit on Nov. 4 accusing Kennard, an ex-convict who once served time for armed robbery, of fabricating a story about a charitable fund as well as a tale about using membership fees to build a network of Christian resorts.

No criminal charges have been filed. A federal judge has issued a restraining order freezing Kennard's assets.

"We have found that Kennard took in about \$8.7 million," Larry Parrish, enforcement staff attorney with the SEC, said Wednesday. "We have frozen between \$200,000 and \$300,000 in his account."

Kennard's Atlanta attorney, Mark Scott, said his client was simply overwhelmed by bad planning

and poor communication. He said Kennard intended to use the money he collected to build retreats, then repay his investors with his profits.

The Rev. James Wilkerson, pastor of the 30-member Church of Faith in Pace in Bolivar County, said his church paid \$6,000 in July to Network International, and was promised a \$1 million grant. The congregation wanted to build a larger church.

The SEC has set up a hot line for investors, who are asked to leave details about their transactions before commission officials return the calls.

"The number of churches is growing. We are finding other churches that we may have not known had they not called the hot line," Parrish said. The SEC will soon get a call from Fields.

"I tell you one thing, we've learned a valuable lesson," Fields said. "The Bible says be anxious for nothing."

"I guess we were over anxious."

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JEFFREY MARSH
WALTER NILSSON

C. RONNIE BOURGEOIS SR.
 C. Ronnie Bourgeois Sr., 62, of Long Beach, died Saturday, Dec. 28, 2002, in Long Beach.

Mr. Bourgeois was a native and longtime resident of Waveland before moving to Long Beach 20 years ago. He was of the Catholic faith and a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in Pass Christian. He retired from Coast Electric Power Company. He was a veteran serving in the U.S. Army. He was a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Chester M. and Edna Cuevas Bourgeois.

Survivors include his wife, Jeanette Miller Bourgeois of Long Beach; three sons, Ronnie Bourgeois Jr. of Gulfport, Harry Bourgeois and John Bourgeois, both of Long Beach; a daughter, Jan Favre of Gulfport; eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Visitation was Monday evening at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. Services were conducted Tuesday at the funeral home followed by burial in Waveland Cemetery.

ROSALIE BURKE

Rosalie "Boots" Burke, 89, of Pearlinton, died Sunday, Dec. 30, 2002, in Pass Christian.

Mrs. Burke was a native of Philadelphia and was a store owner. She was a Baptist. Graveside services were conducted Tuesday at Carriere Cemetery, under the direction of McDonald Funeral Home in Picayune.

RAYMOND COUTURIER

Raymond A. Couturier, 71, of Pass Christian, died Monday, Dec. 30, 2002, in Pass Christian. Services are pending at Riemann Funeral Home in Pass Christian.

JOHN GLOVER, JR.

John (Johnny) C. Glover, Jr., was born November 29, 1936 in New Orleans to Hermoine Perkins and J. Cyril Glover, and died Christmas Day 2002.

He was a long time resident of Bay St. Louis and Pascagoula, and was a graduate of St. Stanislaus College. After college, Johnny served as a Corporal in the United States Marine Corps in Kansas City, Mo. 1957-63, after which he continued to serve America through American Legion organizations. He was twice Post Commander, and a lifetime member for over 35 years at Pascagoula American Legion Post #160. He was an active guest member who loved to landscape at Post #321 in Plano, Texas for the last six years.

He was preceded in death by his wives, Martha Stevenson and Eloise Fulton, and his father and brother, Cyril and Pat Glover.

He is survived by two daughters, Marilee Glover-Mott and Johnna Glover-Lovelady; two sons-in law Joe Mott and Forrest Lovelady, and four grandchildren and his companion,

"Chesty."

His full military funeral was performed by Post 321 Honor Guard at the DFW Veterans Cemetery on Monday Dec. 30. Condolences may be sent to 1201 San Antonio Ct. in Plano, TX 75023.

North Dallas Funeral Home at Farmers Branch, 2710 Valley View Lane, Dallas, was in charge of arrangements.

SHIRLEY HUDSON

Shirley Fay Green Hudson, 58, Lakeshore, died Monday, Dec. 23, 2002, in Bay St. Louis.

Mrs. Hudson was retired from National Supermarket Deli. She was a member of St. John Catholic Church in Lakeshore.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Floyd Green Sr. and Emelda Lafontaine Green; her husband, William Hudson, and her brother, Floyd Green Jr. Survivors include two sons, Donald Hudson of Lakeshore and David Hudson of Kiln; two sisters, Emelda Miles of Ansley and Lynn Lafontaine of Lakeshore; and six grandchildren.

Visitation was Friday at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis and again Saturday at St. John Catholic Church in Lakeshore. Services were conducted Saturday at the church. Burial was in St. John Cemetery.

ALENE MANKOPF

Alene Georgia Mankopf, 77, of Waveland, died Wednesday, Dec. 25, 2002, in Ft. Myers, Fla.

Mrs. Mankopf was a native of Duck Hill and a longtime resident of Waveland. She was of the Methodist faith.

She was preceded in death by her husband,

William J. Mankopf Jr., and her parents.

Survivors include a son, Eulon Porter of Louise; a daughter, Linda Mann of Ft. Myers; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were conducted Monday in Waveland Cemetery. Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis was in charge of the arrangements.

JEFFREY MARSH

Jeffrey Charles Marsh, 37, died Sunday, Dec. 29, 2002.

He was the husband of Carolyn Cruz Marsh; son of Elmer Marsh and the late Barbara Ragas Marsh; brother of Terrilyn Marsh Watzke; brother-in-law of Jeanine Cruz, Thomas,

Michael and Louis Cruz; and son-in-law of Louis and Joan Cruz.

He was an active member of the Knights of Columbus Council 1522, Bay St. Louis.

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated today, Jan. 2 at 1 p.m. in All Faiths Funeral Home Chapel, 5200 Canal Blvd. in New Orleans. Interment will follow at Lake Lawn Park Mausoleum. Visitation will be today at 10 a.m. until service time. The family prefers masses.

WALTER NILSSON

Walter Charles Nilsson, 92, of Bay St. Louis, died Saturday, Dec. 28, 2002, in Bay St. Louis.

Arrangements are incomplete at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

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Fugitive -- thanks, mom

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Parole Officer indicating there may have been a possible domestic between Ladner and his wife over the weekend. Investigator Rita Watson-Blaise, who is

leading the investigation in Hancock County, contacted Ladner's wife via telephone and she reported nothing has happened on Saturday," Lambert said. "We then received a call from Ladner's mother, who reported Ladner had shot the windows out of his own pickup on Saturday. As he was leaving, she told us, he said 'they would have to kill me before (someone else is killed).'"

"The mother further advised that Ladner was on drugs and had not slept for several days and when he left, he had an assault weapon."

"Hancock Investigator John Luther, who is assisting in the investigation, discovered Ladner was a convicted felon in Louisiana and not registered in Hancock County. Because of the felony conviction should not have any weapons in his possession," added.

Blaise-Watson contacted the LA Parole Department in Covington and they faxed over a warrant for Ladner's arrest for a parole violation. Meanwhile Luther found

out that Ladner had abandoned his truck and then took his wife's vehicle, Lambert stated.

The saga continued on Monday. Lambert said as, "Ladner's mother called again to report that she was in a safe location and had her two grandchildren. Her 10-year-old granddaughter told her that her father had been placing the rifle to his head and in his mouth threatening to commit suicide in front of her."

"Luther's investigation led to the place of employment of Ladner's wife in Gulfport. Gulfport Police was notified that Ladner possibly would be picking her up from work Monday evening. Ladner arrived and Gulfport Police apprehended him. In his possession he had a handgun and ammunition for an assault weapon," Lambert added.

On Wednesday morning, Lambert reported Ladner was in Harrison County Jail awaiting extradition to Louisiana. He also said charges here are still pending, as the investigation continues.

Christmas decorations may have caused fire

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
 Publisher Emeritus

An out-of-town Hancock County couple was notified Saturday morning that their mobile home burned in the early hours, according to Sheriff Steve Garber.

"The home owners, John (Bryan) and Leigh Ann Carroll, 12172 Caesar-Necaise Road, had been out of town since Friday around noon. Around 3 a.m. on Saturday, Mrs. Carroll's stepbrother, who resides next to their residence, saw flames coming from the rear of the home as he turned his dog out for a break. He first headed to the house and

then realized no one was home and called 911," Investigator Rita Blaise-Watson reported.

Watson said Mrs. Carroll was not sure as to whether she had unplugged the Christmas tree lights before they left the day before.

"Due to the burn pattern, it appeared that the fire might have started in the area where the Christmas tree had been located in the rear of the house," Watson's report states. Mrs. Carroll reported the home was four years old and had copper wiring and breakers instead of fuses, and the house was all electric.



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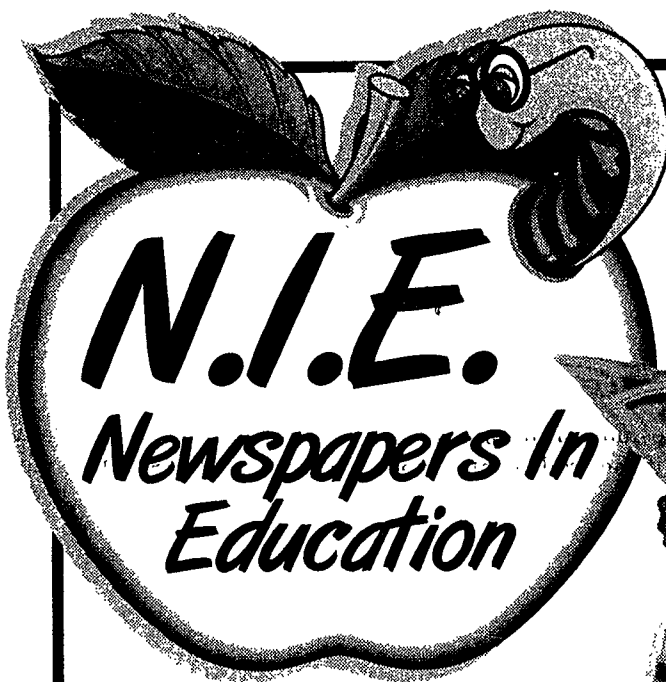
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BUSINESS NEWS

May South expands services and staff

May South, a provider of community-based educational, rehabilitative, and behavioral healthcare services, is expanding its programs and increasing its staff to meet the growing needs of children and adolescents in Georgia, Florida, and throughout the Southeast.

"When May South began serving children and adolescents with autism, mental retardation, developmental disabilities, and brain injury in 1999, most of the services were home-based," says Tony Broyles, vice president of operations for May South. "Since then, the demand for our services has increased dramatically - both in the home and in the schools."

To meet the increased need for services, James W. Moore, Ph.D., a native of Bay St. Louis, and Michael M. Mueller, Ph.D., have been hired to co-direct consultation services for May South.

In addition, Moore and Mueller, both residents of Atlanta, will serve as directors of May South's new Center for Applied Research.

Under the direction of Moore and Mueller, May South will also be introducing "Positive Schools" to the Southern states. A nationally-recognized behavior support program developed by the May Institute, Positive Schools is designed to provide training and consultation to educational staff on effective disciplinary practices and student social skill development.



Grand opening

Allied Wireless, 398 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, recently celebrated its grand opening with a ribbon cutting. The new business is an exclusive dealer of AT&T Wireless and Dish Network. The shop is open Monday-Saturday from 9 a.m. till 8 p.m. and Sunday noon-6 p.m. In attendance were Linda Graffeo, David Bassett, Dr. Keith Everman, Tommy Kimbrell, David Robert, Jackie Robert, Josie Folse, Tish Haas Williams, Courtney Thomas, Amy Corr and other friends and associates. (Staff photo by Cecilia Howe)

Steel from twin towers to be used in warship

PASCAGOULA, Miss. (AP) - Steel salvaged from the World Trade Center is on its way to Mississippi to be used in a warship, Navy officials said.

The ship will be named the USS New York in honor of those who died in New York on Sept. 11, 2001. It will be built here at the Northrop Grumman Ingalls shipyard.

Northrop Grumman spokesman Jim McIngvale said if the trade center steel meets specifications, it will be melted down and used to construct part of the boat.

It was the Navy's idea to incorporate the steel into the vessel, said Capt. Kevin Wensing, a Navy public affairs officer.

Wensing said the steel was taken from a New York landfill on Friday. The material is believed to have been part of the south tower, the second of the skyscrapers to be hit by jetliners hijacked by terrorists, Wensing said.

Den Knecht, communications spokesman for Northrop Grumman, said work will begin on the USS New York mid-2003.

New York Gov. George Pataki had written Secretary of the Navy Gordon England, requesting that the Navy revive the name USS New York and give it to a surface warship involved in the war on terror.

The Navy says the USS New York will be a 684-foot vessel that will carry a crew of 402 plus up to 800 Marines. It will weigh about 25,000 tons and travel more than 25 mph. The \$800 million vessel should be ready for active duty in 2007.

Coast casino proposed by Hattiesburg group

HATTIESBURG, Miss. (AP) - A Hattiesburg businessman is leading a group of investors seeking state permission to open a new casino on the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

Ray Sims, owner of L&A Contracting Co., wants to build the Rock 'n' Roll Casino on Clay Point in east Biloxi. The \$25 million riverboat would showcase vintage rock 'n' roll memorabilia and feature rock-themed shows.

Sims met last week with the state Gaming Commission to discuss the project. He plans to go before the commission early next year to apply for the \$5,000 gaming license needed to begin construction.

"They are seeking site approval at this point," said Larry Gregory, the commission's executive director.

Club donates money to ship

The Gulfport Rotary Club contributed more than \$6,000 to the Mercy Ship program in 2002, part of the organization's ongoing commitment to the international medical outreach effort.

The Caribbean Mercy Ship announced recently that Gulfport would serve as its homeport, meaning it will visit the Coast annually to resupply for trips to Latin America.

So far, Rotary clubs along the Coast have contributed more than \$10,000 to the Mercy Ship project. "We are very grateful for the new friends we have in Gulfport and Gulf Coast Rotary clubs," Snow said.

For more information on the Mercy Ship program, contact Snow at (228) 697-7502.

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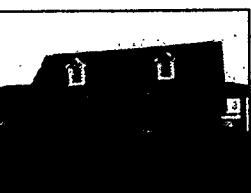
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Bring pad and pencil to class. Recommended reading list supplied at, registration. (Mr. Robbins is a retired national correspondent for the New York Times.)

Bridge 1. Introduces game to new players and offers a review of the fundamentals of bidding and play for those who wish to get back in the game. Limited to 16 students. Instructor: Mrs. Cal Rogers. Tuesday 3-5 p.m. Tuition \$25. Text \$13.

Mah Jongg. An ancient Chinese game played with tiles - probably the forerunner of most modern card games. Learn how to play and you may want to join the fun group that now meets on Monday mornings. Tuition \$25. Text \$4.00. Instructor: Mrs. Mary Allen. Wednesday 9:30-10:30 a.m.

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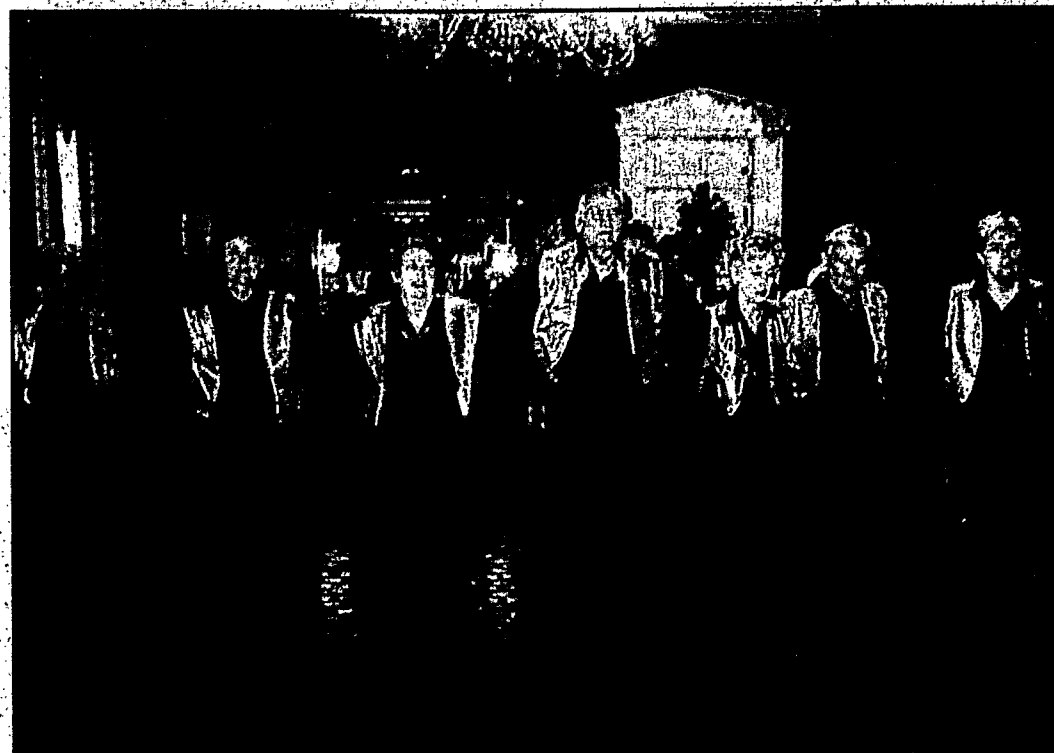
Spring session will begin March 31 and end May 8, 2003.

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DIAMONDHEAD DANCE



Clogging at the Welcome Center

The Diamondhead Dancers are shown entertaining at the Mississippi Welcome Center during the Christmas open house Dec. 13. This was one of the many performances the group performed during the Christmas holidays. Showing some fancy footwork, the dancers opened with a dance to "Rudolph The Red Nosed Reindeer" and did several more line-dance and clogging numbers. Pictured are Frances Pala, Carolyn Reeves, Ruth Olivier, Charlie Olivier, Shirley Strickland, Loretta Calcaterra, Annette Rolles, Lorraine Heffron and Dottie Farley.

Military Mention

PFC GARRETT

Army National Guard Pfc. Patrick L. Garrett was graduated from basic military training at Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Mo.

During training, the trainee received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, rifle marksmanship, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, and Army history, core values and traditions.

Garrett is the son of Patrick Garrett of Perkinson and Carletta Saucier of Kiln.

He graduated in 2002 from Poplarville High School.

AIRMAN BRADFIELD

Air Force Airman Cristin J. Bradfield was graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Bradfield is the daughter of Dixie Nelson of Bay St. Louis. She is a 2002 graduate of Bay High School.

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THE SEA COAST ECHO

The Gulf Coast Chamber Orchestra is looking for classical musicians to play with this volunteer group. The Chamber Orchestra gives at least two major concerts each year and plays for benefits for charitable organizations when invited to help.

The orchestra is under the direction of Adam Ortiz and the music director is Alma L. Flick.

Rehearsals are scheduled each Tuesday night from 7-

9pm at the Seacoast Ballroom located at 983 Howard Avenue in Biloxi. This year the orchestra members are planning to provide

Refresher Workshops for String and Wind instrumentalists who are interested in playing with the group. This workshop is designed to assist those who have put up their instruments for some time to get a chance to regroup their skills. Give Dr. Alma Flick a call at 875-4476 for further information.

COMMUNITY

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**Start the
new year
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**THE PACE
FILES**
BY STAN PACE
Extension
Agent

Over the next couple of months, there will be several trainings I thought I would mention to you.

On Jan. 14, there will be training for commercial landscape persons. The training will provide information about pest management.

Please remember that pest can be weeds and insects. The training will begin at 9 a.m. on Jan. 14 at the Orange Grove Community Center.

For more information, call our office by Friday, Jan. 10.

On Feb. 13, there will be an area watermelon meeting in Hattiesburg at the Forrest-Forrest County Extension Office.

This training is for any person who is or is planning to produce and market watermelons in our coastal area.

Topics of training will include: varieties, diseases, production, and marketing.

On Feb. 22 and the 23, we will again have the South Mississippi Garden and Patio Show in Gulfport.

The show was a tremendous success in 2002, and plans are well under way for a bigger and better show in 2003.

For information about this event, call 228-467-5456.

The last training I would like to mention is an area turf meeting at the Forrest County Extension office.

For all sports field managers, coaches, or public field managers, this training is being offered in an effort to assist anyone with the knowledge and methods to overcome problems associated with high volume sports fields.

This training will take place Feb. 27 and will begin at 9 a.m. and end at approximately 2 p.m.

For information, contact our office at 228-467-5456.

One final note. As we enter into a season that reminds us of the greatest gift given to man, let us remember to stop and reflect on all that we have to be thankful for.

1. A Heavenly Father who loves us.

2. Family and friends.

3. Blessings that allow us to live in the greatest nation on earth.

May we never forget the gift that our Heavenly Father gave so that we may have eternal life.

May we never forget our faithful family and friends, and may we remember those who have paid the greatest price so that we could enjoy this time with those we love.

May you truly have a Happy New Year.

God Bless you and your family.

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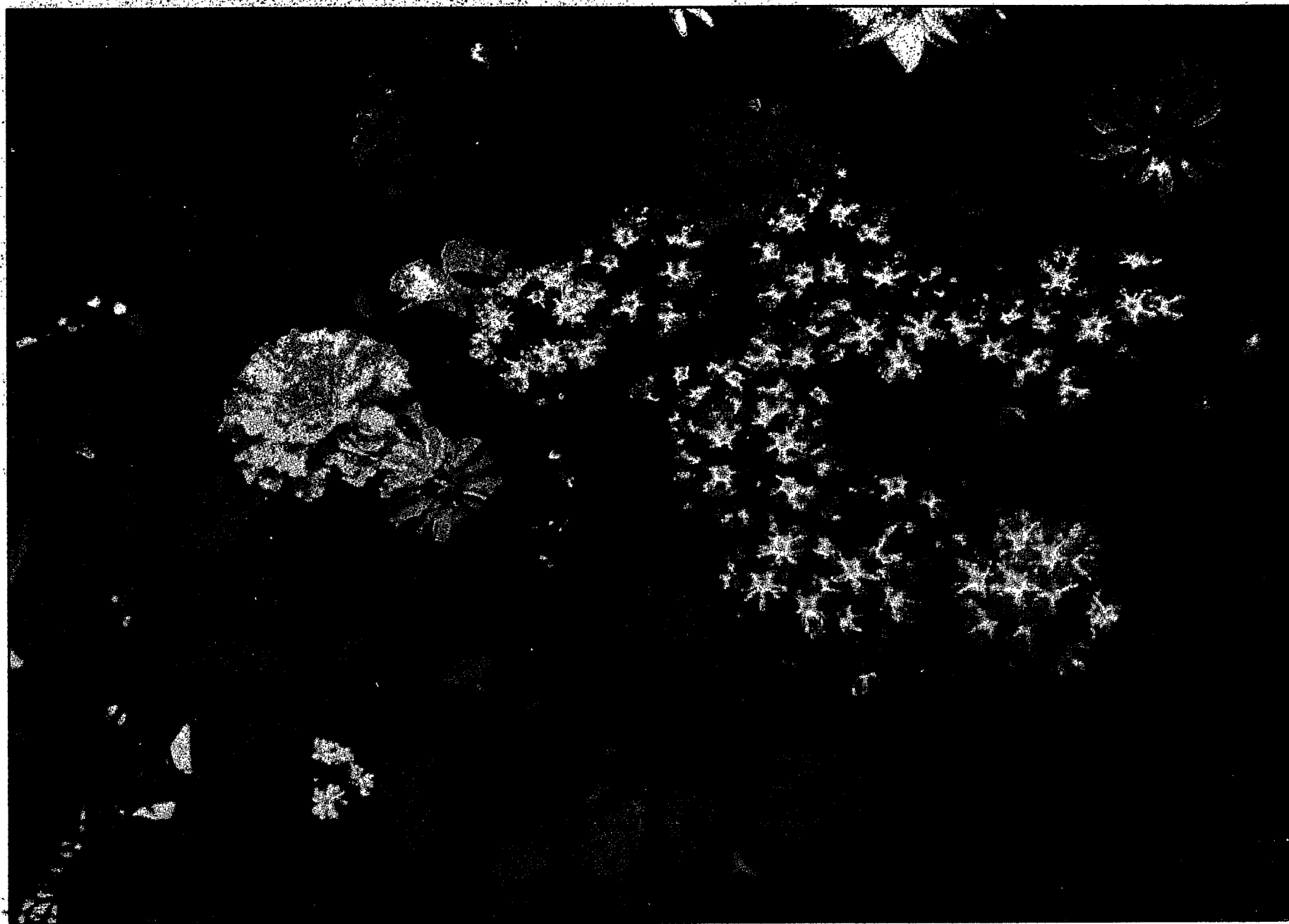
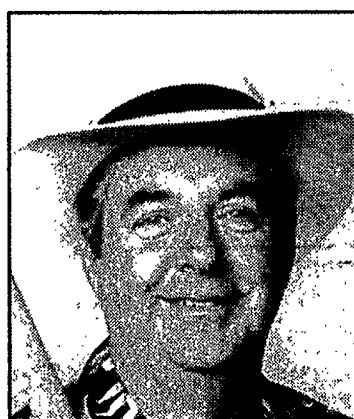


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The ornamental sweet potato makes a colorful addition to any southern garden.

Choose ornamental sweet potatoes in '03



**SOUTHERN
GARDENING**
BY NORMAN WINTER
MSU Horticulturist
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If you had told garden center managers in the early 1990s that they would be selling hundreds of sweet potatoes for the

landscape each year, they probably would have laughed hysterically. Now they are laughing all the way to the bank as the ornamental sweet potato has become a huge success story in just a few short years.

Sweet potato vines bring color and pizzazz to the landscape the entire growing season, and cover space almost as quickly as kudzu. Other than an insect or two, the ornamental sweet potato is foolproof.

If you still haven't tried ornamental sweet potatoes in the landscape, make 2003 the year you do.

Select a site in full sun, although a little afternoon shade is quite acceptable. A farmer will tell you the sweet potato likes fertile, well-drained soil, and

that's true in the landscape, too. This usually means amending with 3 to 4 inches of organic matter.

Incorporate two pounds of a slow-release, 12-6-6 fertilizer per 100 square feet of bed space while preparing the bed. Plant nursery-grown transplants at the same depth they are growing in the container, spacing 24 to 48 inches apart, depending on variety.

Give supplemental water during the long growing season. Flea beetles are known to occasionally make them unsightly, so treat with a recommended insecticide at the first sign of damage. Prune as needed to keep sweet potato vines contained in their allotted space.

Since winter has settled in, I want to get you

stirred up a bit for the spring by telling you about some of the new ornamental sweet potatoes coming next season.

The hottest ornamental potatoes are known as the Sweet Caroline series. They are coming courtesy of the J.C. Raulston Arboretum in North Carolina, one of the most highly rated trial programs in the country. Though the potatoes are from the arboretum, they are being marketed through Paul Michells, a partner with Bodger Botanicals.

There are four colors in the Sweet Caroline series: green, bright lime green, purple (actually a dark burgundy) and a bronze that has everyone talking. The bronze can best be described as rust. All of the series has deeply toothed

leaves similar to the ever popular Blackie.

In addition to the Sweet Caroline series, look for Blackie, which is purple with deep lobes; Black Heart, which is also purple but with heart-shaped leaves; Margarita, with lime green and heart-shaped leaves; and Pink Frost, which is not as vigorous, but it is still outstanding with three-lobed leaves in variegated pink, green and white.

The ornamental sweet potato is the best annual groundcover today. The different colors intermingle for an effective display. They are unbeatable for cascading over walls and are easily capable of hanging down eight to 10 feet, if needed. Grow them in

GARDEN-PAGE 4B

1982: Sawdust piles recycled as fuel for factory boilers

TEN YEARS AGO

December 17, 1992 - Members of the Hancock County Retired Senior Volunteer Program brought Christmas joy at the Hancock County Welcome Center's open house Sunday.

Among those participating were Gwen Ishem, Mary Clark, Lena Mae Lewis, Catherine Ishem, Rita Marti, Philip Scafidi, Donald Fuhrman, Hazel Breau, Watson Johns, Gladys Nigiliazzo, Mary Ann Fuhrman, Ruth Johns, Ernestine Schnider, Sue Hale, director, and Rozie Christian. Piano player was Ester Bussey.

- Activity was brisk during

Back in Time



ing the pre-dawn hours on Tuesday at the Hancock County Criminal Justice Facility with the booking of 28 suspected drug dealers. The roundup, a joint operation titled *Operation*

Crack of Dawn by the tri-county drug task force, was conducted by 30 officers working in teams of two from the Hancock County Sheriff's Department, Bay St. Louis and Waveland police departments.

A 29th suspect was arrested Tuesday afternoon with several still to be served with warrants, Hancock County Sheriff Ronnie Peterson said Wednesday.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

December 13, 1982 - The Hancock County School Board Friday moved to establish a first grade remedial education program in the district

financed with federal funds. The board agreed to amend an existing federal school program to include a special program, which may have the effect of compensating for the lack of a kindergarten program of the district.

The new program, to be implemented January 1 and already funded by a \$50,000 grant from the federal government, will stress teaching the basic skills which first grade students are expected to know when they enter the class room.

- Crews operating heavy equipment are completing a more than two-year project which two mammoth Fenton Community saw-

dust piles are being mined to fire factory boilers.

Pitts Construction Company of Waynesborough was busy moving tractor-trailer rig loads of sawdust daily from the site of the former Kergosien Saw Mill at the confluence of Bayou LaTerre and Rotten Bayou - the original location of Fenton.

Clara Kergosien of Bay St. Louis reports her late grandfather, Adolph Kergosien, owned the mill which began operation just after he moved here from Britnay, France, in 1859 and married Elodie

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Entertainment

Emeril featured at Meadows to kick off WINGS art center

THE SEA COAST ECHO

Join the Lagasse Line-up as children make chef hats for the Kitchen Kan Parade to welcome Alden & Emeril Lagasse to the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center on Saturday, January 4, 2:00-4:00.

The Lagasses are kicking-off the capitol campaign for the new WINGS Performing Arts & Education Center for Youth, the first of its kind in the state. Alden Lagasse grew up on the Gulf Coast and was a good friend of Lynn Meadows. The ceremony starts at 2:30 with special guest Governor Ronnie Musgrove.

The event is free with \$6.00 admission or membership. For more information call 897-6039.

Other upcoming Discovery Center events include:

SATURDAY, JAN. 11 Who Said That? 1-2 pm

ASTOUND your friends after learning the secrets of ventriloquism with magician and ventriloquist Lou Zocchi. Bring along a puppet friend to help out.

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Ink a fish to create "Gyotaku," a Japanese fish print. Artists Studio.

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No room for a garden? No problem! Learn to plant a mini garden with Chris and create one of



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The world discovered America in 1972, when a nameless horse began its gallop across the international airwaves. "A Horse With No Name" made the band called America famous in the United States, Europe and beyond, leading the way for an impressive string of hits to follow, including "Tin Man," and "Sister Golden Hair."

Slightly more than a year after launching their group, America, consisting then of members Gerry Beckley, Dewey Bunnell and Dan Peek, was riding high thanks to a sound that mixed rock, pop and folk elements to

instantly appealing effect. America's albums, six of them certified gold and/or platinum, with their first greatest hits collection, "History," reaching the four-million sales mark, displayed a fuller range of the group's talents than did their singles. From effects-laden rockers to oddball medleys and soul-bearing ballads, their reach was wide and ambitious.

The singer/songwriter/guitarists found success young, even by the standards of rock artists of the early '70s. Personal hassles and a rigorous touring/recording schedule caught up with the band in the middle of that decade.

When Peek left the group in 1977, his band mates rose to the challenge of carrying on as a duo. Shifts in sound, changes in producers and managers and a renewed

dedication to the craft of songwriting came in the '80s.

In many ways Beckley and Bunnell came into their own as mature artists during this time. And their growth has continued into the present day with such impressive releases as 1998's "Human Nature," and their box set, "Highway," released in 2000, captured the highlights of where their music has carried them and chronicled the changes they've gone through both artistically and personally.

And, as ever, the touring continues with the duo now doing some of their best touring in over a decade. It's been a long ride indeed for these two old friends; from anonymous horses to fast-moving trains, the music has never stopped for America.

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SPORTS

Rocks sink Admirals, take Holiday Classic title

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
Staff Writer

The twelfth ranked St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws, 17-1, avenged their only loss of the season on Saturday, December 28, when they upended the seventh ranked Gulfport Admirals 50-39 at the Bert Jenkins Gymnasium for the championship of the 20th annual Admiral Hardwood Club Holiday Classic.

The win in the title game marked the second consecutive night that the Rocks knocked off a top ten team. On Friday, December 27, the Rocks stopped the fifth ranked Mendenhall Tigers 68-53.

SSC used a lack of respect as motivation for the tournament title. The Rocks' only loss of the season was a nine-point decision to Gulfport early in the schedule. Since then the Rocks have ripped off 13 straight wins. Ironically, during that time span the Rocks have remained twelfth in the state and dropped from third to fifth in the South Mississippi poll.

SSC head coach Jay Ladner commented, "We are very pleased with the win. Anytime you can beat a program like Gulfport, it is a very gratifying accomplishment. I thought our players responded to the challenge presented to them. They played a hard-nosed game against a great opponent in the Admirals. Many people around may have thought that reaching the state semi-finals last season was a fluke. We are still trying to earn some respect. We

are very happy with the win but we are not satisfied. There is still room for much improvement."

Gulfport jumped out on the Rocks 7-2 early in the first period behind the hot hands of junior phenom Henry Salter. However, Darius Acker's three-point shot with :19 left in the opening period put the Rocks ahead 11-10. It was a lead that SSC would not relinquish.

Mario Faranda keyed a 7-2 run by the Rocks to start the second period. Faranda scored all seven points in the streak.

Acker scored six points in the period and Faranda eight points as the Rocks extended their lead at half-time to 25-19.

Brett Amond and Sam Tart got in on the action in the third period for the Rocks. Acker and Faranda also scored in the period with Faranda getting a flush with 6:03 remaining in the period. But, Rob Murray put the punctuation on the period for SSC nailing a trey with :01 left to put SSC up 39-29.

SSC started the fourth period with a 6-0 run highlighted by Murray's two baskets as the Rocks got up on the Admirals 45-29 with 5:09 left to play. The Admirals made a little run behind Nigel Jordan's five straight points but it wasn't enough to overcome the SSC lead. Gabe Willis nailed a three-pointer with 3:00 left that drew cheers of victory from the Rock faithful. Ben Benvenuti made the final score 50-39 with a layup with :04 left after the Rocks

played keep-away with the Admirals for the final three minutes.

Acker led SSC with 14 points followed by Faranda with 12 points. Gabe Willis and Rob Murray dished out six and four assists, respectively. Henry Salter led Gulfport with 18 points followed by teammate Nigel Jordan with 11 points.

Willis, Acker, and Faranda all made the All-Tournament team along with Jordan and Salter from Gulfport.

The night before it was Mario Faranda that dismantled the fifth ranked Mendenhall Tigers as the Rocks cruised into the tournament finals with a 68-53 win. SSC held Tiger All-Stater Emmanuel Willis to 15 points en route to the win. Willis was a USM signee in the early signing period back in November.

The Rocks and the Tigers battled in the first half with SSC claiming a 14-13 lead at the end of the first period and a 25-23 lead at half-time. In the third period, the Rocks nailed five three-pointers. The long-range bombing allowed the Rocks to claim a 50-35 advantage heading into the final 8 minutes of play. Acker nailed three bombs in the period while Murray and Ben Benvenuti each had one. None of the five downtown shots were as exciting as the one that ended the period. Benvenuti had the ball as time was ticking away. The 6-6 senior post player launched his shot which banked off the backboard at the buzzer.

The fourth period was

touch-and-go for SSC as they lost three players to fouls and had one playing with four fouls. In the period, the Rocks lost Benvenuti, Brett Amond and Rob Murray to foul trouble while Faranda finished the game with four.

Acker, Faranda, and Gabe Willis helped clean up the Tigers in the fourth period as the Rocks and Mendenhall went basket for basket scoring 18 points each.

Faranda and Acker each scored 22 points in the game but Faranda was a monster on the boards pulling down 11 rebounds. Gabe Willis added 12 points and six steals in the game. Rob Murray tallied six assists in the win. Acker nailed six three-pointers during the game for SSC.

On Thursday, December 26, SSC defeated Pascagoula 65-49 to start their romp in the Admiral Hardwood Classic. Gabe Willis scored 23 points followed by Acker with 16 points and Faranda with 12 points. The top ranked Bay High Lady Tigers won their Christmas Classic on Saturday, December 28 with a resounding 89-66 win over Covington High School of Louisiana. Carmen Labat exploded for 30 points as Bay High remained undefeated at 19-0 on the season.

Stephanie Reed scored 28 points and dished out 8 assists while her sister, Kendra, scored 19 points and grabbed 12 rebounds for the Lady Tigers.

More basketball coverage on the Tigers will appear in Sunday's edition.

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"Mississippi is an undiscovered jewel for golf, and our courses are the caliber you would expect to find only in Florida or Elton Head, S.C.," said Scott Kelly, co-manager of Magnolia Golf Trail.

"Too many tourists are driving through our state en route to golf games in other states. This is a collaborative effort to educate golfers on what they are missing here, and offer

incentives to play our outstanding courses. We think this will raise the bar for golf in Mississippi, and provide a boost to both the golfing, and tourism industries."

The courses are geographically located from Robinsonville, in the Tunica gaming hub just outside Memphis, to Bay St. Louis, offering a scenic look at the Gulf of Mexico. This should appeal to Mississippi golfers, who will find themselves within driving distance of several MGT courses. Each MGT course had to meet well-defined criteria guaranteeing quality, high standard of course layout and amenities. Architects of these layouts include such well-known names as Arnold Palmer, Mark McCumber and Jerry Pate.

Additional information on the MGT can be found at its Web site, www.magnoliagolftrail.com including a trail map as well as profiles and color photos of all member courses.

A rotating feature on the site will be a Hole of the Month, which includes

detailed description of the layout and a "How to Play The Hole" explanation. The current Hole of the Month is the number 9, par 4 at The Bridges in Bay St. Louis.

"In Mississippi, every course has worked independently to establish its own reputation," said Ron Hickman, general manager of Timberton Golf Club in Hattiesburg.

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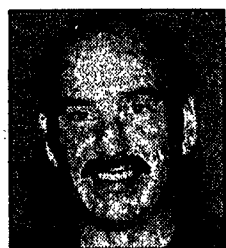
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- Landry and Matthews, Hattiesburg architects, were chosen Tuesday by the board of supervisors to design the 20-bed addition to Hancock General Hospital as the supervisors

pursued efforts to get federal matching funds on the project through Public Works Administration.

FIFTY YEARS AGO

December 19, 1952 - The Bay-Waveland Garden Club will award prizes this year for the prettiest doorway, indoor tree, living outdoor tree, window decorations, porch tree and roof top in their annual outdoor lighting contest.

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ONE HUNDRED-TEN YEARS AGO

December 17, 1892 - City Echoes - The wood choppers of Jourdan River section gave a big festival and dance on Saturday. The participants had a joyous time, we heard.

- Bob Fitzimmons will train in Bay St. Louis for

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the coming mill. The Bay seems to be Fitz's mascot and he will always stick to it.

- The canning factory is still in full blast and continues to benefit the town and people. Large shipments of canned oysters are now being daily made.

- Waveland Echoes - Mr. John R. Fell is having erected a stable 50x25 ft. on his place.

- Some unknown party entered Mr. John Bourgeois' place and lifted 30 chickens from the hen roost. Someone will have a good Christmas dinner.

- It is understood that Nicholson Avenue will boast an elegant depot by spring time. This will redeem a long felt want.

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Garden

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Military reservists disaster loan apps available on-line

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"Some of these men and women may be key employees at small businesses, and their call-up, even for a short period of time, can have an adverse financial impact on small companies," said SBA Administrator Hector V.

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Mississippi businesses interested in applying for an economic injury disaster loan may also contact the Atlanta SBA disaster area office at 1-800-359-2227.

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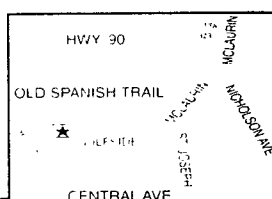
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81 Appliances

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93 Yard Sale

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36 Special Notices

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46 Home Improvement

SONNY CUEVAS CONSTRUCTION: Additions, new construction, remodeling, roofing, painting, etc. Licensed and bonded, references. 30 years experience, free estimates. 466-9118.

56 Services Offered

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150 Unfurn. Houses Rent

2BR, 1BA, CENTRAL HEAT/AC, w/d hookups. \$500/month, \$500/deposit. Pet-free. 468-5082.

2BR/1BA HOUSE, Cent air/heat, w/d hook-ups Newly remodeled. Quiet neighborhood. Waveland. \$575/month plus deposit 255-3518.

6BR/3BA TWO STORY HOME in Waveland, 3200 sq ft great neighborhood. Walk to library, beach and public fishing pier. \$1,100 a month and \$1,100 deposit. Call 467-4449 Mon. through Fri. 9am-6pm or 493-3228 evenings and weekends.

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HOUSE FOR RENT 3BR/1BA \$500/dep. \$550/month. 228-760-2205.

IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY available on this all brick, 2 bedroom, 2 bathroom home with screened in porch situated on private wooded lot in Diamondhead. For a rental application, call Bruce at 1-800-398-0454.

LIKE NEW 3 BR., 2 BA FROM \$750 per month. Century 21 of Diamondhead. 255-3550.

NEW UNFURNISHED 2BA/1BA with hook ups, all electric \$550 plus deposit. 533-7125

SKYLINE DR. RAISED 3BR/2BA Cent/a/h, carpet, w/d hookups \$725+dep. evenings 228-467-7142.

156 Lots/Acreage

NOTICE OF SALE
Sealed bids will be received by the Mississippi Department of Transportation at the office of said Department, Jackson, Mississippi, until 10:00 a.m., January 27, 2003, for the sale of unencumbered (except) property more particularly described as:

Begin at the Southeast corner of Lot 17 as shown on the plans for State Project No. 79-0067-01-003-10, from said point of beginning run North 80 degrees 50 minutes West, a distance of 100.0 feet to the Southwest corner of Lot 16; thence run North 09 degrees 12 minutes East, a distance of 76.0 feet; thence run South 80 degrees 50 minutes East, a distance of 100.0 feet; thence run South 09 degrees 12 minutes West, a distance of 76.0 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.17 acres, more or less, and being situated in and part of Lots 16 and 17 of Square 102 of Shoreline Park Subdivision Unit 7 of Governmental Lot 1 of Section 28, Township 8 South, Range 14 West, Hancock County, Mississippi.

The subject property has an appraised value of \$6,500.00 and is located just South of State Route 43, and is also referred to as Highway 603, and is part of Lot 16 and 17 of Shoreline Park Subdivision Square 102, Unit 7. The subject property is a part of Tax Parcel Number 138F-0-27-345-000 as reflected on the county tax maps of the Hancock County Tax Assessor Office. ALL bids must be accompanied by a PERFORMANCE BOND in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid. This bid must be in the form of a CERTIFIED CHECK, CASHIER'S CHECK, MONEY ORDER, OR BID BOND and will be refunded if you are not the successful bidder. However, if after thirty days upon notification, the successful bidder fails to remit the full amount of the bid, the five percent (5%) PERFORMANCE BOND will be forfeited. Cash or personal check will not be accepted, and if attached will disqualify the bid.

The sale of said property is subject to the provisions that no junkyard, as defined in 23 U.S.C., Section 138, shall be hereafter established or maintained on or above described lands, and no signs, billboards, outdoor advertising structures or advertisement of any kind, as provided in 23 U.S.C., Section 131, shall be hereafter erected, displayed or maintained upon or within the above described land, except that signs may be erected and maintained to advertise the sale, hire or lease of the property, of principle activities conducted on the land upon which the signs are located.

All bids shall contain this statement: "I hereby certify that I am not an employee or member of an employee's family and that I had no part in appraising the above property or in negotiating for its acquisition by the Mississippi Transportation Commission."

Pursuant to Section 25-4-105(3)(b), State employees may not purchase surplus property from any state agency, directly or indirectly. More specific information as to the exact location of the property may be obtained by contacting the MDOT Right of Way Division at 601-359-7630.

The Mississippi Transportation Commission reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Mail bid to MDOT, Right of Way Division (Attn: Daniel B. Smith-Legal Section), P.O. Box 1850, Jackson, Mississippi 39215-1850 and write on the outside of the envelope "SEALED BID TO BE OPENED JANUARY 27, 2003."

Larry L. Brown, Executive Director
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158 Commercial Property

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2 COMMERCIAL LOTS FOR SALE: 100'x200' total, on Hwy. 603. \$45,900 for both. 467-9545 or 466-2555.

FULLY EQUIPPED HAIR SALON for lease in Coast Plaza. Hwy 90. 466-3333

HWY 603: 1,000 SQ. FT. 2BR APT upstairs, 1,000 sq. ft. retail office space. Salifish Realty. \$990/month Lease. 466-9947.

158 Commercial Property

OFFICE & RETAIL SPACE available: Choctaw Village, Waveland Ms. Phone 228-255-4396 or Pager 228-883-8554.

159 Houses For Sale

4BR HOUSE, 2,443 SQ. FT. 118 Grass St. Idlewood Subdivision, Waveland. Reduced. 467-3601, or 255-5236, 341-3601.

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Public Notices

Re: Charles Pierce vs. Jennifer Dively, et al.
Claim No. 02-C-000296
File No. 9-6592

Summons
To: Bobby C. Pierce and/or the legal successor of Charles Pierce, deceased.
You are hereby summoned to appear within 60 days of December 8, 2002 (the date of the first publication of this notice) to substitute yourself for the deceased Charles Pierce in the case entitled "Charles Pierce versus Jennifer Dively and Gulf Insurance Company" bearing docket number 47-538, Division "B", in the 25th Judicial District Court for the Parish of Plaquemine, State of Louisiana, located at 301 Main Street, Belle Chasse, Louisiana 70037.
01/02/03

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
In Re: Estate of
James Kenneth Pollard, Deceased
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK

EXECUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS
OF JAMES KENNETH POLLARD
Letters testamentary having been granted on the 2nd day of May, 2002, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned, N. L. B. Breland, Executor, of the estate of James Kenneth Pollard, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the clerk of said Court for Probate and registration according to law within 90 days from the date of this notice, or they will be forever barred.
This 27th day of December, A.D., 2002.

LISA BARRINEAU POLLARD, EXECUTRIX
Haas and Haas Attorneys
201 N. Second Street
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
(228) 467-6574
MS Bar No. 5091
01/02; 01/09; 01/16/03

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF EARL EDWARD LADNER, JR., DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters Testamentary having been granted to the undersigned on the 15th day of October, A.D., 2002, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned, N. L. B. Breland, Executor, of the estate of Earl Edward Ladner, Jr., deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the Estate of Earl Edward Ladner, Jr., deceased, to present the same to the clerk of said Court for Probate and registration, according to law, within ninety (90) days from this date. Failure to probate and register claims within the said ninety (90) day period will operate to forever bar such claims. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE ON THIS, the 2nd day of December, A.D., 2002.
BRIAN ADAM
12/12; 12/19; 12/26; 01/02/03

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:
NOLEEN L. BRELAND
KERRI B. FRIGO and
MARK E. BRELAND, PETITIONERS

NO. 2002-885
Notice is hereby given that Letters of Testamentary on the Estate of NOLEEN L. BRELAND, Deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 19th day of November, 2002, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present their claims to the Clerk of said Court and to have them probated and allowed within ninety (90) days from the date of the first publication of this notice, failure to do so will bar the claim.
THIS the 18th day of December 2002.
KERRI B. FRIGO, Co-Executor
David C. Goff, Esquire
Watkins & Llamas Winter & Stennis, P.A.
2510 14th Street, Suite 1010 (39501)
Post Office Box 160
Gulfport, Mississippi 39502
Telephone: (228) 864-3094
Facsimile: (228) 864-0516
12/26/02; 01/02; 01/09/03

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF NELLE D. HANSEN, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 2002-944
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 23rd day of December, 2002, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Administrator upon the Estate of Nelle D. Hansen, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the clerk of this court for probate and registration according to the law within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice or they will be forever barred.
This the 27th day of December, 2002.
DANA HAL JONES
Administrator

William W. Dreher, Jr.
Dreher Law Firm
P.O. Box 989
2224-24th Avenue
Gulfport, Mississippi 39502
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
KIMBERLY TALLMAN, PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
RALPH F. BECK, JOHN T. BECK, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF JOHN B. BECK AND ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING ANY TITLE TO THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREINBELOW

CAUSE NO. 2002-937
SUMMONS
(Service by Publication; Residence Unknown)
TO: RALPH F. BECK, a non resident of the State of Mississippi whose current and last known addresses both residence and post office addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, JOHN T. BECK, a non resident of the State of Mississippi whose current and last known addresses both residence and post office addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF JOHN B. BECK, who are non residents of the State of Mississippi whose names and current and last known addresses both residence and post office addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, AND ANY AND ALL PERSONS CLAIMING OR CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN AND TO the land described hereinbelow sold for taxes on August 26, 1996 and August 25, 1997, and August 31, 1998.

To all persons having or claiming any interest in the land described below, sold for taxes on August 26, 1996 and August 25, 1997, and August 31, 1998.
(A) James Lott whose last known address is 109 Vance Street, Long Beach, MS 39560.
(B) Anthony Lott, who is believed to be a non-resident of the State of Mississippi, whose last known place of residence, post office address and street address are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, if alive and if deceased, his heirs at law or devisees, whose last known place of residence, post office addresses, and street addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry.
(C) Any and all other persons having or claiming any right, title or interest in and to the hereinafter described property.
North 1/2 of Northwest 1/4 of Southwest 1/4, Section 20, Township 7 South, Range 14 West, Hancock Co., MS AT LAW OF EUGENE S. CANTRELL (Parcel # 064-0-20-019-000)
You have been made Defendants in the lawsuit filed in this Court by Charles McFarland, whose mailing address is P. O. Box 568, Long Beach, MS 39560-0568.

The Complaint filed against you has initiated a civil action alleging legal ownership of the above-described property and seeking to quiet and confirm title.
You are required to file with the Clerk of this Court a written answer either admitting or denying each allegation of the Complaint; and in addition, a copy of your written answer should be either mailed or hand delivered to Brian B. Alexander, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 142 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, 39520.
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(SEAL)

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK
By: Elycia Carabato
12/19; 12/26/02; 01/02/03

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
BARBARA A. BROWER PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
GLENNIS M. NEAL, SR.
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF PICAYUNE,
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF
EUGENE S. CANTRELL DEFENDANTS
CAUSE NO. 2002-953

SUMMONS
(Service by Publication; Residence Unknown)
Unknown heirs at Law of Eugene S. Cantrell and any and all other persons claiming, an interest in the property described herein whose names and addresses are unknown to the Plaintiff, Plaintiff's agent search and inquiry and whose current post office addresses are unknown. You have been made Defendants in the lawsuit filed in this Court by Barbara Brower, Plaintiff, whose address is 534 4th Street, Gretna, Louisiana 70053.

The Complaint to Remove Court from Title filed against you has initiated a civil action alleging that Barbara Brower is the owner in fee simple of the property described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at the Northwest Corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 32, Township 5 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi; thence South 338.05 Feet the point of beginning; thence East 381.48 feet to a point on the West margin of Leeward Road, a paved, public road; thence South 01 degrees 40 minutes 04 seconds West along said margin 195.45 feet; thence, leaving said margin, South 89 degrees 58 minutes 24 seconds West 375.60 feet; thence North 197.95 feet to the point of beginning. This parcel containing 1.709 acres and being a part of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 32, Township 5 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi.

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TO: LOUM V. NGO, and ANY AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN AND TO THE PERSONAL PROPERTY (A VESSEL) DESCRIBED AS the unnamed vessel, a steel hull vessel measuring length approximately 35', MI number 9642AA, hull number 7X2213130280, LOCATED AT a canal in Bayou Caddy adjacent to Terry's Seafood, Bayou Caddy, Hancock County, MS; and All Unknown Persons claiming any right, title or interest in the described vessel.

CAUSE NO. 2002-939
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, EX REL. MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES, Plaintiff, seeking the removal, disposal and sale of a derelict vessel and related relief. Defendants other than you in this action are LOUM V. NGO, the described derelict vessel, and all persons claiming any interest in the vessel.

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Clerk of HANCOCK COUNTY,
12/19; 12/26/02; 01/02/03

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OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF HAZEL GENOVESE PINKERTON,
DECEASED
ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
HAZEL GENOVESE PINKERTON
CAUSE NO. 2002-943

Letters of Administration having been granted on the 17th day of December, 2002, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned, upon the Estate of Hazel Genovese Pinkerton, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registry according to law within 90 days from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or they will be forever barred.
This the 17th day of December, 2002.
GRADY E. PINKERTON, SR.
Administrator of the Estate of Hazel Genovese Pinkerton
12/19; 12/26/02; 1/2; 1/9/03

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF NELLE D. HANSEN, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 2002-944
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 23rd day of December, 2002, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Administrator upon the Estate of Nelle D. Hansen, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the clerk of this court for probate and registration according to the law within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice or they will be forever barred.
This the 27th day of December, 2002.
DANA HAL JONES
Administrator

William W. Dreher, Jr.
Dreher Law Firm
P.O. Box 989
2224-24th Avenue
Gulfport, Mississippi 39502
Tel. 228-822-2222
Fax 228-822-2626
MSB# 10117
01/02; 01/09; 01/16/03

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CHARLES MCFARLAND PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
JAMES LOTT, ANTHONY LOTT, ANY OF THEIR UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW AND ANYONE CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN SUBJECT PROPERTY

PUBLICATION SUMMONS
CASE NO. 2002-945
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North 1/2 of Northwest 1/4 of Southwest 1/4, Section 20, Township 7 South, Range 14 West, Hancock Co., MS AT LAW OF EUGENE S. CANTRELL (Parcel # 064-0-20-019-000)
You have been made Defendants in the lawsuit filed in this Court by Charles McFarland, whose mailing address is P. O. Box 568, Long Beach, MS 39560-0568.

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DEPUTY CLERK
CLERK OF COURT
12/26/02; 01/02; 01/09/03

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
The Hancock County Water & Sewer District will receive competitive sealed bids to be filed with the office, 1113 Highway 90, P.O. Box 2759, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, until 10:00 a.m. on the 10th day of January 2003 and shortly thereafter publicly opened for providing the following:

ONE (1) NEW COMPACT EXCAVATOR
Detailed specifications may be obtained from the Hancock County Water & Sewer District Office, 1113 Highway 90, P.O. Box 2759, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi or by calling 467-6208.
All envelopes must be marked "Bid Enclosed" and state the item bid on.
Hancock County Water and Sewer Board of Commissioners reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.
Published by Order of the Board of Commissioners of Hancock County Water and Sewer District, this the 13th day of December 2002.
Eddie Ranz, Jr.
Secretary/Treasurer
Hancock County Water and Sewer District
12/22; 12/29/02; 01/02; 01/09/03

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Sealed bids will be accepted in the office of the Chief Financial Officer of Hancock Medical Center, 149 Drinkwater Blvd., Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 for the privilege of acting as a depository for Hancock Medical Center. Bids shall include current rates of interest for fund accounts with no service charges and a proposal for placement of an ATM.
Bids will be received until the time of opening.
Place of opening: Office of the Chief Financial Officer
Date: Thursday, January 16, 2003
Time: 2:00 p.m.
By: Brandon H. Sloum, Chief Financial Officer
Hancock Medical Center
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12/26/02; 01/02/03

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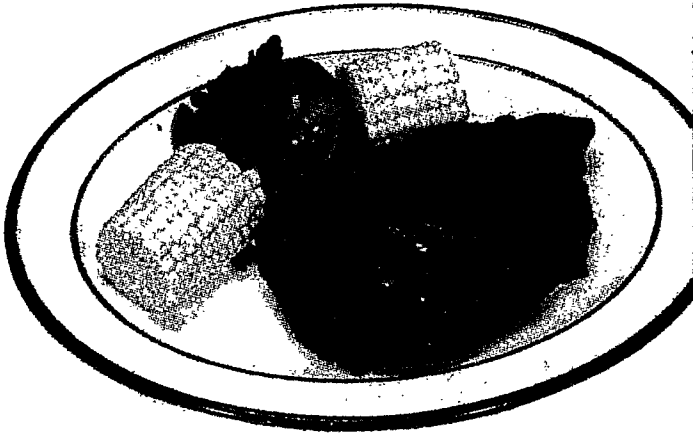
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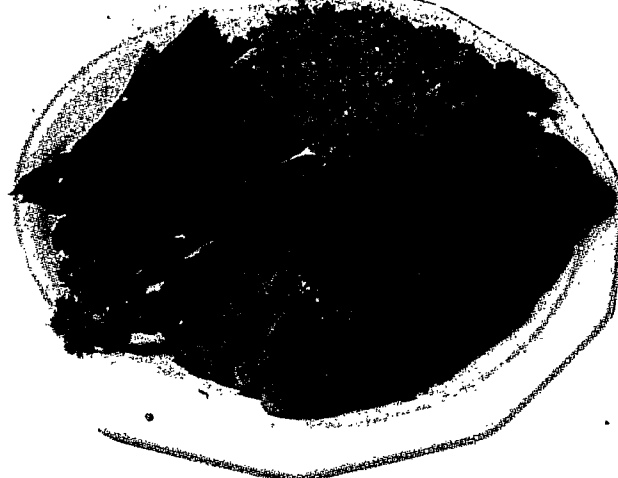
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